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EPIC GAMES, INC.,))
Plaintiff,)
VS.) NO. 3:20-cv-05671-JE
GOOGLE, LLC., et al.,)
Defendants.)
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Thursday - November 9, 2023 1 9:04 a.m. 2 PROCEEDINGS ---000---3 THE CLERK: Calling Civil 20-5671, Epic Games Inc. 4 5 versus Google LLC, and Multi-District Litigation 21-2981, In Re Google Play Store Antitrust Litigation. 6 Counsel? 7 MR. BORNSTEIN: Good morning, Your Honor. Gary 8 Bornstein for Epic Games. I am joined today at counsel table 9 10 by Michael Zaken, Sourabh Mishra, Lauren Moskowitz, Andrew Wiktor, John Hueston, and Yonatan Even. 11 MR. POMERANTZ: Good morning, Your Honor. Glenn 12 13 Pomerantz on behalf of Google. With me is Lauren Bell, Brian Smith, Jonathan Kravis, Michelle Park Chiu, and Rebecca 14 15 Sciarrino. 16 THE COURT: Okay. Is that it? 17 MR. BORNSTEIN: Just a few housekeeping things, Your 18 Honor, before we get started. 19 One is, I just wanted to alert the Court that we 20 intend to file an opposition brief on the Spotify sealing 21 issue, which we'll get in shortly, just so Your Honor has the 22 benefit of perspective on both sides. 23 **THE COURT:** Don't do that yet. 24 MR. BORNSTEIN: Okay. 25 THE COURT: If I need one, I'll tell you on Monday.

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MR. BORNSTEIN: Very good. We'll hold off.
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                And then two other quick things. One --
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              THE COURT: Well, actually, you know what? Can you
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     file it tomorrow?
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             MR. BORNSTEIN:
                              Sure.
              THE COURT: Just do it by 5:00 p.m. tomorrow.
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             MR. BORNSTEIN:
                             We'll do that.
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              THE COURT: Now, remember, you don't get to file
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     anything unless I say so first. So 5:00 p.m. tomorrow is fine.
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             MR. POMERANTZ: Your Honor, may we file a response on
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    Monday?
              THE COURT: You or Spotify? It's Spotify's
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     information, isn't it?
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              MR. POMERANTZ: It's both of ours. It's both.
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              THE COURT: Yeah. File it by -- can you do Saturday,
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     if you can? If you can't, Monday is fine, 9:00 a.m. Monday,
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    but it would be better --
             MR. POMERANTZ: We'll get it filed on Sunday, Your
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    Honor, if that's okay.
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              THE COURT: That will be great, yes. By noon on
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     Sunday. All right?
                              Thank you, Your Honor.
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             MR. POMERANTZ:
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             MR. BORNSTEIN:
                             One other thing, Your Honor.
    parties have conferred about trying to find a way to facilitate
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     the presentation of any evidentiary or sealing objections to
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the Court without taking up the time of the jury.

So we wanted to request, if we have anything that is urgent that needs to be addressed that day's testimony, we would let the Court know. Hopefully, that all would have been presented to Your Honor a day or two in advance so you would know about it.

We do have matters that have kind of piled up. We haven't presented them to Your Honor. We've been working very cooperatively to address everything, but there are one or two things, none of which is for today.

But we wanted to suggest that if there were things like that, after the jury is excused, perhaps we could take a few minutes to clear things off so we could start fresh the next morning.

THE COURT: Possibly. Let's see how it goes.

MR. BORNSTEIN: It doesn't have to be today either,
Your Honor. Just as a procedure.

THE COURT: It's not going to be today.

MR. BORNSTEIN: Very good.

THE COURT: But possibly. Okay?

MR. BORNSTEIN: Okay. Thank you.

THE COURT: All right. Go ahead. Anything else?

MR. BORNSTEIN: Last thing is, Your Honor had asked us a question about time. And, again, the parties have been conferring overnight and this morning about the progress of

If it's okay with the Court, both sides intend to take 1 trial. a hard look this weekend at the evidence that has come in and 2 sharpen our pencils and try to get things down. 3 There is a lot of it. And, for example, THE COURT: 4 5 it's going to get cumulative soon on a number of your main themes. A little extra is fine. You have to make sure people 6 7 get the point. But, you know, I think everybody gets Project Hug. 8 9 MR. BORNSTEIN: Right. THE COURT: So I'll leave it up to you. It's your 10 11 But that's a good thing to do. I understand, Your Honor. So that's 12 MR. BORNSTEIN: 13 our plan. And then after we've done that, we would intend to 14 15 come back to Your Honor and just give you an update on where we all are and where we think things are going. 16 17 **THE COURT:** I actually think we're going to be December, whatever that was, 4th, 11th. We'll definitely be 18 19 I think we're going to be the 4th. the 11th. 20 Okay. We had intended to at least put MR. BORNSTEIN: on Your Honor's radar the possibility of trying to use next 21 Friday as a date for evidence. 22 We'll see. Next week, in addition to the 23 THE COURT:

economic conference, which is a major headache for

transportation, apparently our first El Nino river is coming

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So I don't know. We'll see how Friday looks.
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     in.
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              MR. BORNSTEIN: Okay. Understood.
              THE COURT: All right.
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                              Thank you, Your Honor. That was it
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              MR. BORNSTEIN:
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     for us.
              MR. POMERANTZ: Just one issue on our side.
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                I'd like to have an opportunity to just briefly
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       address the instruction -- jury instruction that we had asked
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       for yesterday. We submitted something. You may not have seen
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       it.
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              THE COURT:
                         Well, no, I didn't ask for it. I asked
     you to negotiate something. You wanted to do it.
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                             Well, so let me tell -- we did.
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              MR. POMERANTZ:
     we did talk last night, exchange emails last night.
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                If I could just briefly, Your Honor. Just so Your
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       Honor is -- so it's clear what we're asking about. On page 743
       of yesterday's transcript, starting at line 16, this is the
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       question and answer that raises concerns for us:
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                      And Google refuses to distribute third
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          party app stores on Google Play, right?
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                      We have real security concerns for our
                 "A.
          users so there's a policy that describes it.
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                      That is correct, that they don't -- they
          refuse to distribute third party app stores on Google
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          Play, right? Yes or no?
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To keep users safe, yes.
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                 "A.
                             In fact, we're going to get to
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                 "Q.
                      Okay.
          this so-called safety reason. Try to, if you can,
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          focus on my questions."
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                Now, the summary judgment order that Your Honor --
              THE COURT: Look, I understand all this. I wrote it.
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     Okay? I know Trinco. I understand what you're saying.
                So why are we going to go back to the safety issue,
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       security issue?
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              MR. BORNSTEIN: Well, there are two things, Your
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    Honor.
             One --
              THE COURT: So Google can not put third party apps on.
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     That's perfectly fine. So why are we going to go back into the
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     reasons, the ostensible reason for that?
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              MR. BORNSTEIN: We don't intend to touch that issue
     again, Your Honor. We are going to have security issues on
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     other things, not on this issue, on other things.
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              THE COURT: All right.
              MR. POMERANTZ: Your Honor, the prejudice exists
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    because of the way the questions were asked. And they get
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     exactly what your order says not to do: to suggest that we
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     couldn't -- that we had -- that it was improper to not
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     distribute third party stores.
              THE COURT: Listen --
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              MR. POMERANTZ: And this is a suggestion.
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THE COURT: -- I have been here taking exquisitely 1 detailed notes and paying tremendously deep attention. 2 I am far less worried about prejudice than you appear 3 I will consider giving one at the end of the case, just 4 5 for clarity. Okay? But a little marker on the table about, you know, a couple questions, as I said yesterday, it was a 6 wavelet in a tidal wave of information. So I'm not terribly 7 worried about it. But I'll leave the door open to considering 8 it at the end. 9 But no more of the: You don't have third party 10 11 stores. Understood, Your Honor. 12 MR. BORNSTEIN: THE COURT: The facts there. You've done what you can 13 do with it. Now, no more mention of it. Okay? 14 Okay. Let's bring the jury out. 15 16 Oh, let's put the witness back up first, please. (Proceedings were heard in the presence of the jury:) 17 THE COURT: Okay. Ready to resume with our witness 18 from yesterday, please. 19 Thank you, Your Honor. 20 MR. HUESTON: 21 PURNIMA KOCHIKAR, 22 Called as a witness for the PLAINTIFFS, having been previously 23 duly sworn, testified further as follows: DIRECT EXAMINATION (resumed) 24 25 ///

BY MR. HUESTON:

- 2 Q. Good morning, Ms. Kochikar.
- 3 **A.** Good morning.
- 4 Q. I want to start with something that you said in your
- 5 | testimony yesterday.
- 6 You'll recall you testified yesterday that Android has
- 7 OEM stores on all our devices; do you remember saying that?
- 8 A. Most of our devices.
- 9 Q. Okay. So I want to clarify that. You said "all of our
- 10 | devices." Today you're saying "most"?
- 11 **A.** I may have.
- 12 Q. Okay. And just so we're clear, OEM means original equipment
- 13 | manufacturer, right? Or in other words, the manufacturer of the
- 14 | phone, correct?
- 15 **A.** Yes.
- 16 Q. And, you know, as an example -- this is a demonstrative --
- 17 I'm holding up a Motorola phone. And you know that Motorola uses
- 18 | an Android operating system, right?
- 19 **A.** Yes.
- 20 **Q.** And there's no Motorola App Store preloaded on Motorola
- 21 | phones in the United States, right?
- 22 **A.** Maybe, yeah.
- 23 | Q. Okay. You want to take a look at the phone, or you think
- 24 I'm right?
- 25 A. No. I'll take your word for it.

- 1 Q. Okay. And then as another example, I'm holding up a OnePlus
- 2 | phone as a demonstrative. And you've heard of the OnePlus phone,
- 3 right?
- 4 **A.** Yes.
- 5 | Q. And that uses an Android operating system, right?
- 6 **A.** Yes.
- 7 | Q. And there's no OnePlus App Store preload on the OnePlus
- 8 | phone in the United States, correct?
- 9 **A.** I'll take your word for it, yes.
- 10 Q. Okay. So when you said yesterday "We do have OEM stores on
- 11 | all of our devices, " that wasn't correct, right?
- 12 **A.** I might have overstated it, but most of our devices would
- 13 be correct.
- 14 Q. Okay. Let's go to a different topic now. I want to address
- 15 | a little bit more on Project Hug.
- 16 That was originally targeted to about 22 large game
- 17 developers, right?
- 18 **A.** 21.
- 19 Q. Okay. Well, let's go to Trial Exhibit 1522 in your binder.
- 20 This is an email from you; do you see that?
- 21 **A.** Yes.
- MR. HUESTON: We'd move it into evidence at this time,
- 23 Your Honor.
- 24 MS. CHIU: No objections.
- 25 **THE COURT:** It is admitted.

KOCHIKAR - DIRECT / HUESTON (Trial Exhibit 1522 received in 1 evidence.) 2 BY MR. HUESTON: 3 Okay. And it's now up on the screen. 4 5 And you'll see that the subject here is "Risk," correct? 6 7 Yes. Α. All right. And the risk referred to in the subject line 8 refers to Activision Blizzard King, or ABK, and Project Hug deal 9 negotiations, right? 10 11 Α. Yes. And ABK, that's the maker of popular games like Candy Crush 12 and Call of Duty, right? 13 Yes. 14 Α. 15 One of the biggest game developers in the world, right? 16 Α. Yes. 17 So let's go to the top of the second page. This is an email Q. 18 from Marc Theermann. And you knew he was the director of global 19 partnerships at Google at this time, right? 20 Yes. A. 21 And he writes: "Hi friends. So if our official Okay. Q. The risk is low, let's say 20 percent, we will get 22 answer is: significant pushback from the financial planning team, and 23

perhaps BC."

You see that, right?

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- 1 **A.** Yes.
- 2 Q. And BC, that refers to Google's Business Counsel?
- 3 **A.** Yes.
- 4 Q. And the proposed Project Hug deal with ABK required business
- 5 | council approval, right?
- 6 A. Yes, it did.
- 7 Q. Okay. And this 20 percent risk Mr. Theermann refers to,
- 8 | that's the risk that ABK would launch its own Android App Store,
- 9 right?
- 10 A. Correct.
- 11 Q. All right. And Mr. Theermann then writes: "They are
- 12 | saying: This deal construct, which cost \$150 million more than a
- 13 regular Hug deal, is only worth it if it saves Play."
- 14 You see that, right?
- 15 **A.** Yes.
- 16 | Q. And so the deal on the table with ABK was going to cost
- 17 | Google, if I'm understanding this right, \$150,000,000 more than
- 18 | an ordinary Project Hug deal, according to Mr. Theermann, right?
- 19 **A.** In this calculation, yes.
- 20 Q. Okay. And you understood "saves Play" to mean lowering or
- 21 | eliminating the risk that ABK would launch a competing Android
- 22 App Store, right?
- 23 **A.** That's what Mr. Theermann says.
- 24 Q. Right. And one concern that was discussed at this time is
- 25 | that if ABK launched an alternative App Store, that could lead to

- 1 other developers launching their own app stores, right?
- 2 A. It's not said here. Perhaps.
- 3 | Q. Okay. But that was something that was being discussed at
- 4 | that time. You remember that, right?
- 5 **A.** Yes.
- 6 Q. Okay. The risk that this could lead to other developers
- 7 | launching their own App Store, that's contagion again, right?
- 8 A. We were thinking also about web stores, not just app
- 9 stores, but we can go into that detail later.
- 10 Q. Right. I didn't ask you about that.
- But this risk that Google folks are talking about,
- that this could lead to other developers launching their own
- app store, that's the contagion concept again, right?
- 14 A. Going off Play doesn't always mean launching an app store.
- 15 MR. HUESTON: Okay. Let's go to, Your Honor,
- 16 deposition page 139, lines 8 to 14, Tab 1.
- 17 **THE COURT:** Okay.
- 18 MR. HUESTON: Let's put it up.
- 19 "Q. Well, the concern that was discussed at
- 20 the time was that if ABK launched an alternative
- 21 Android App Store, that could lead to other
- developers either launching their own app store or
- 23 | launching their titles through ABKs alternative app
- 24 store, correct?
- 25 "A. It was discussed."

BY MR. HUESTON:

- 2 **Q.** That was your testimony, right?
- 3 **A.** Yes.

- 4 Q. Okay. And the other concern discussed at this time was that
- 5 | if ABK launched an alternative Android App Store, that could lead
- 6 to other developers launching their titles through ABK's
- 7 | alternative app store, right?
- 8 **A.** Which line are you looking at?
- 9 Q. It's not a document. Let's put that down.
- 10 **A.** Oh, I see.
- 11 Q. You recall -- let me ask the question again.
- 12 **A.** Yes, please.
- 13 Q. The other concern discussed at this time was that if ABK
- 14 | launched an alternative Android App Store, that could lead to
- 15 other developers launching their titles through ABK's alternative
- 16 App Store, right?
- 17 | A. I don't recall.
- 18 | Q. Okay. Let's move to another question. If Google was
- 19 | successful with Project Hug, you expected that ABK would not
- 20 | spend their time and money investing in an alternative app store,
- 21 right?
- 22 **A.** There was nothing that stopped them from launching another
- 23 | app store. All we asked was for them to simship, which means
- 24 | ship the title at the same time on Google Play when they could
- 25 | ship in any other store, sideload, or to a web store.

1 MR. HUESTON: Your Honor, if we go to page 139, line 24, to 140, line 5, tab 1. 2 THE COURT: 129? 3 MR. HUESTON: 139, line 24 to 140, line 5. 4 5 THE COURT: That's fine. MR. HUESTON: Okay. Let's put it up. 6 7 "Q. But your expectation was that if you could secure their launch on Play, that Activision 8 Blizzard King would not spend their time and money 9 investing on an alternative app store, correct? 10 11 "A. That they would see the value of building 12 games versus -- yes." BY MR. HUESTON: 13 That was your answer, right? 14 Q. Yeah, that's what I said there. 15 Α. 16 Okay. Now, let's go back to the Exhibit 1522, top of the 17 first page. And you respond here that, quote, If we don't do a 18 deal, ABK will continue to try different ways to get revenues off 19 Building a stronger relationship, and we need to of Play. 20 believe this will -- deal will lead to that, will preclude investments in alternative ways of monetizing off Play. A store 21 is one of many options that could be explored. 22 23 You wrote that, right? 24 Yes. Α. 25 Okay. And the reference to store there, that is to an

- 1 | alternative Android App Store that ABK was exploring, correct?
- 2 **A.** Also the web store. The web store is an equally important
- 3 alternative.
- 4 Q. Right. But that was, in part, a reference to an alternative
- 5 | Android App Store, right?
- 6 A. Probably.
- 7 Q. Okay. In fact, ABK told you that they were considering
- 8 | working on an Android App Store to compete with the Google Play
- 9 Store, correct?
- 10 A. They claimed it --
- 11 Q. Okay. And other --
- 12 **A.** -- as part of a negotiation.
- 13 **Q.** They said they were considering it, didn't they?
- 14 A. Yes. They claimed it.
- 15 Q. Okay. And other options ABK was considering, including
- 16 direct downloads or launching on preexisting alternative app
- 17 | stores, they told you they were considering that too, right?
- 18 A. I don't recall that.
- 19 MR. HUESTON: Okay. Let's go to, Your Honor,
- 20 page 141, lines 3 to 7.
- 21 THE COURT: That's fine.
- 22 MR. HUESTON: Okay. Let's put it up.
- 23 \ "Q. Another option was directly downloading,
- offering their apps for direct download, right?
- 25 \ "A. Yes, or going through other app stores

1 that are currently on. They have recently launched titles through one store in Korea, for example." 2 BY MR. HUESTON: 3 That was your testimony, right? 4 Q. Yes. That's what I said earlier as well. 5 Α. All right. But you thought if you could get ABK into a Hug 6 deal, even if it costs \$150,000,000 more than a typical Hug deal, 7 that would disincentivize ABK from finding other ways to 8 distribute their apps on Android, correct? 9 We thought they would understand the value of Play and 10 11 make a business decision that was right for them. A deal is a proposal. They can decide whether they want it or not. 12 13 MR. HUESTON: Okay. Your Honor, I would like to -page 141, line 25, to 142, line 12. 14 15 THE COURT: Yes, that's fine. 16 MR. HUESTON: Let's play that clip, please. 17 (Video clip played:) But you say here that you thought that if 18 "O. you could get them into a Hug deal -- and we already 19 20 discussed that all Hug deals require simship on Google Play? 21 Correct. 22 "A. That that would preclude their 23 "Q. investments, that would disincentivize them to make 24

investments in finding alternative ways to distribute

- 1 their apps on to Android?
- 2 "A. That is what partnerships believe in that
- 3 they value the partnership.
 - "Q. So that's a yes?
- 5 "A. Yes."

6 BY MR. HUESTON:

- 7 Q. Okay. And, Ms. Kochikar, in fact, as we just played there
- 8 | in your testimony, you thought it would "preclude investments in
- 9 | alternative ways of monetizing off Play." Those were the words
- 10 | we just heard from you, right?
- 11 **A.** Yeah.
- 12 **Q.** All right. And the plan worked, didn't it?
- 13 **A.** Not really.
- 14 | Q. Well, after signing Project Hug, ABK did not launch a
- 15 | competing app store, right?
- 16 **A.** They do have a web store. They sell a bunch of their
- 17 | in-app items on the web store. They have launched on one store
- 18 in Korea. They distribute in different ways.
- 19 **Q.** They don't have their --
- 20 **A.** They have the options.
- 21 | Q. Okay. They don't have their own competing app store, right?
- 22 **A.** They do not.
- 23 Q. Right. Let's now talk about Riot Games. That is one of the
- 24 | other developers Google targeted with Project Hug, right?
- 25 **A.** Yes.

- 1 Q. And Riot Games makes some big-name games too, right?
- 2 **A.** Yes.
- 3 Q. Okay. One of the risks, again, that Riot presented was that
- 4 Riot would also launch its game outside of Google Play, right?
- 5 **A.** They claimed, yes.
- 6 Q. Okay. And so Google signed a Project Hug deal with Riot to
- 7 | stop it from launching its own competing Android App Store,
- 8 | correct?
- 9 **A.** No.
- 10 Q. Let's go to Trial Exhibit 1478 in your binder. And it is
- 11 | the Riot GVP deal, the Riot Hug deal, correct?
- 12 **A.** Yes.
- 13 MR. HUESTON: Okay. We'd move it into evidence at
- 14 this time.
- MS. CHIU: No objections.
- 16 **THE COURT:** It is admitted.
- 17 (Trial Exhibit 1478 received in
- 18 evidence.)
- 19 **BY MR. HUESTON:**
- 20 | Q. In fact, you would have been involved in creating this
- 21 | document, right?
- 22 **A.** Yes.
- 23 Q. All right. And, Ms. Kochikar, this document actually
- 24 | provides the rationale for the Project Hug deal that was offered
- 25 | to Riot Games, right?

- 1 **A.** Yes.
- 2 Q. Let's go to the section that starts with context. We'll
- 3 | pull it up.
- 4 A. Yeah.
- 5 | Q. And it states, quote, A year ago, we pulled all the stops,
- 6 promised them \$10 million co-marketing for before they signed
- 7 GVP, for example, to get Riot Games to stop their in-house app
- 8 store effort.
- 9 That's what it says, right?
- 10 **A.** Yes.
- 11 **Q.** That's a Google document you worked on, right?
- 12 **A.** Yes.
- 13 **Q.** Okay. And again, your plan worked, right?
- 14 | A. Well, Riot -- when we got closer, from the outside, it
- 15 | looked like they were planning. When we got closer, we
- 16 | realized they were a PC game maker that didn't have many mobile
- 17 | gaming skills. The "all stops" was us working with them to
- 18 | understand how to build a mobile game. As you know, their
- 19 games were not very successful. It's a bet we made because it
- 20 was a very attractive game on PC.
- 21 | Q. Okay. You just said we pulled all stops, and you just said
- 22 | something different here in court from the words I read, which
- 23 were:
- 24 | "We pulled all the stops to get Riot to
- 25 stop their in-house app store effort."

- 1 That's what was written at the time, right? Correct?
- 2 A. Yes. I'm explaining what "all stops" means.
- 3 | Q. Okay. I'm just -- the words on the page and what was said
- 4 | there, that's what you said, right?
- 5 **A.** Yes.
- 6 Q. Okay. And, in fact, Riot did not launch a competing Android
- 7 | App Store, right?
- 8 **A.** Yes.
- 9 Q. Okay. Let's talk about Supercell. I don't think anybody
- 10 has heard about that yet.
- Supercell is the maker of popular games like Clash of
- 12 Clans and Clash Royale, right?
- 13 | A. Correct.
- 14 Q. And you know that Supercell has been vocal about Google's
- 15 | 30 percent revenue share, right?
- 16 A. We have discussed.
- 17 | Q. Okay. And Supercell, in fact, originally declined to sign a
- 18 | Hug deal, right?
- 19 A. Correct.
- 20 | Q. And they declined to sign a Hug deal due to the low
- 21 | perceived value, right?
- 22 **A.** Yes.
- 23 Q. Another reason Supercell declined to sign a Hug deal was
- 24 | because they wanted an actual reduction to the 30 percent revenue
- 25 | share, right, which Project Hug did not offer? Correct?

- 1 A. That was their proposal. We had a different way of
- 2 looking at it. That's how businesses negotiate.
- 3 | Q. Okay. But to be clear, Supercell did not accept the Project
- 4 | Hug offer, at least in part because they wanted an actual
- 5 reduction to the 30 percent revenue share, correct?
- 6 A. The Hug deal --
- 7 Q. Yes or no?
- 8 A. It wasn't the "yes" or "no." It's two different
- 9 discussions that were happening.
- 10 MR. HUESTON: Okay. Let's go, Your Honor, 174,
- 11 | lines 7 to 11.
- 12 **THE COURT:** That's fine.
- 13 MR. HUESTON: Let's put it up, please.
- 14 "Q. And Supercell did not accept the Project
- 15 Hug offer, at least in part because they wanted an
- actual reduction to their 30 percent revenue share,
- 17 correct?
- 18 A. Yes."
- 19 **THE WITNESS:** Yeah, because this question said --
- 20 BY MR. HUESTON:
- 21 Q. I'm sorry. I'm going to -- that's your answer and the
- 22 | testimony, right? I'm not asking for a commentary, Ms. Kochikar.
- 23 A. I understand, sir.
- 24 Q. Thank you.
- 25 **A.** You said "at least in part."

- 1 Q. Let's focus on the questions. Your counsel will have plenty
- 2 of time --
- 3 A. Thank you.
- 4 Q. -- to talk to you. Okay?
- 5 **A.** Okay.
- 6 Q. Now. Supercell informed Google that it was working on
- 7 | launching a web store, right?
- 8 **A.** Yes.
- 9 Q. Okay. And the web store was going to offer digital items
- 10 for purchase that could be used inside its app on Android,
- 11 | correct?
- 12 **A.** Yes.
- 13 **Q.** And Google would not make money on purchases made on
- 14 | Supercell's web store, right?
- 15 A. Correct.
- 16 Q. All right. And Google was concerned that Supercell's
- 17 decision to create a web store could attract the attention of
- 18 other large developers to follow suit, right?
- 19 **A.** Every time there's a competitive thing, we have to pay
- 20 attention. We are in a business. And, yes.
- 21 **Q.** Okay. So the answer is yes, Google was concerned that
- 22 | Supercell's decision to create a web store could attract the
- 23 attention of other large developers that followed suit, right?
- 24 **A.** Yes.
- 25 | Q. Okay. Contagion once again, right, ma'am?

- A. Attention of other developers.
- 2 Q. Right. Which has been described in the same context as
- 3 contagion. We went over that, right?
- 4 **A.** Yes.

- 5 \ Q. Okay. So one of the gives that Google proposed to make to
- 6 Supercell was to give them up to \$24,000,000 in cash incentives,
- 7 | right?
- 8 A. No. There is much bigger context to that.
- 9 | Q. Let me -- listen to my question.
- 10 **A.** Yes.
- 11 Q. One of the gives that Google would make would be up to
- 12 \$24,000,000 in cash incentives; you understood that, right?
- 13 **A.** Yes.
- 14 **Q.** Okay.
- 15 **A.** For investing in emerging markets.
- 16 Q. Okay. And none of Google's deals with other developers at
- 17 | the time involved cash incentives, correct?
- 18 **A.** Oh --
- 19 **Q.** Yes or no?
- 20 A. That was the -- the GVP, which is the Games Velocity
- 21 | Program, or called Hug, was one construct. This was a
- 22 | completely different, independent deal. They're not connected.
- 23 | Q. Okay. Let me see if I can -- I'll try it one more time.
- 24 **A.** Okay.
- 25 **Q.** None of Google's deals with other developers at the time

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involved cash incentives, correct?
 1
          They had call marketing, which was cash. I don't know how
 2
     Α.
     to explain these things --
 3
 4
     Q.
          Sure.
 5
          -- shortly with a "yes" and "no."
     Α.
          Let's see how you did in your deposition.
 6
     Q.
 7
     Α.
          Okay.
              MR. HUESTON: Your Honor, page 180, lines 12 to 18.
 8
              THE COURT: Yes, that's fine.
 9
              MR. HUESTON: Let's put it up.
10
                 "Q.
                      But it was pointed out in connection with
11
          getting approvals that none of the other deals that
12
          Google was entering into with other developers
13
          involved cash incentives?
14
15
                 "A. Yes."
16
     BY MR. HUESTON:
17
     Q.
          Right?
18
     Α.
          With the rest of it.
19
              MS. CHIU: Objection, Your Honor. That's not the
20
     complete answer.
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              THE WITNESS:
                            Yes.
22
              THE COURT: Go ahead. Just read the whole answer,
23
     will you?
24
              MR. HUESTON:
                             (As read):
25
                 "A.
                      Yes, we had to point out why emerging
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- markets required prefunding because the business opportunity was more nascent."
- 3 BY MR. HUESTON:
- 4 Q. Your answer there starts with a "yes," right?
- 5 **A.** Just as it did now because it required investments in
- 6 emerging markets which are important to Android users.
- 7 Q. Okay. And then after that \$24,000,000 cash incentive offer,
- 8 | Supercell, in fact, gave in and signed a deal with Google, right?
- 9 **A.** And launched their web store.
- 10 Q. And just like every other Hug deal, one of the requirements
- 11 | that Supercell agreed to as part of this deal was simship, right?
- 12 **A.** Correct. That means only ship alongside all other
- 13 alternatives.
- 14 | Q. And you're not aware of Supercell ever launching their own
- 15 | web store for Android, right?
- 16 **A.** They absolutely have. You can Google it.
- 17 | Q. Not at the time, though, right?
- 18 A. No, no. They did.
- 19 Q. Let me talk a bit about Facebook.
- 20 Around 2016, Google became concerned that Facebook
- 21 | could use its relationships with phone carriers to create a
- 22 standalone app store, right?
- 23 **A.** I have no idea.
- 24 | Q. Okay. Let's go to Trial Exhibit 1410. And this is titled
- 25 | Project Wichita Update and Discussion Guide.

Case 3:21-md-02981-JD Document 838 Filed 12/06/23 Page 31 of 248 KOCHIKAR - DIRECT / HUESTON 1 Do you see this? 2 Yes. Α. MR. HUESTON: Okay. We move to admit this at this 3 4 time. 5 MS. CHIU: No objections, Your Honor. It's admitted. THE COURT: 6 (Trial Exhibit 1410 received in 7 evidence.) 8 BY MR. HUESTON: 9 Okay. Let's go to the second page of the exhibit. 10 Q. 11 Α. Yes. In the executive summary, in the section named "Issue," it 12 states in the first bullet point: 13 "Facebook has preloaded at least three 14 15 Facebook apps on Samsung S7 devices; one or 16 more of the apps likely has install packages 17 permission." 18 Do you see that? Yes. 19 Α. 20 And the second bullet states: "Facebook is actively using these preloaded 21

apps to install and update the core Facebook

app, circumventing Play in some cases."

Right?

Correct.

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Α.

- 1 Q. Okay. So I want to talk a little bit about what that means.
- 2 So Facebook offers its own apps, which are sometimes
- 3 referred to as first party apps, right?
- 4 A. Correct.
- 5 Q. Okay. And Facebook, the Facebook app, that's an example of
- 6 a first party app, right?
- 7 **A.** Correct.
- 8 Q. Okay. And as opposed to first party apps, third party apps,
- 9 they're apps developed by someone else other than Facebook,
- 10 | right?
- 11 A. Correct.
- 12 Q. So an example of a third party app compared to Facebook
- 13 | would be the Walmart app, right?
- 14 **A.** Yes.
- 15 Q. Okay. So these install permissions from phone manufacturers
- 16 | gave Facebook the capability to install third party apps, right?
- 17 **A.** Yeah, they could.
- 18 | Q. Okay. So let's go to page 10 on the slide titled
- 19 | Implications. Here it is.
- 20 And on the third bullet point titled 1P App
- 21 | Management -- that's first party app?
- 22 **A.** Correct.
- 23 | Q. -- it states, quote, Facebook may decide to manage updates
- 24 | to all of its 1P or first party apps, right? You see that?
- 25 **A.** Yes.

And it continues: 1 Q. Okay. "As other developers notice, they may begin 2 to do the same." 3 Right? 4 5 Yes. Α. So in writing here, once again, Google's concerned about 6 contagion, right? That Facebook's actions could influence others 7 to do the same, right? 8 Oh. Yes. 9 Α. Okay. Now, on the right-hand side, under the section named 10 11 Longer Term, you see there's just one bullet there; do you see that? 12 13 Α. Yes. And this is 3P or Third Party App Distribution, correct? 14 15 Yes. Α. 16 Q. (As read): 17 "One or more preloaded Facebook apps may have install packages permission. If so, 18 Facebook could distribute 3P apps, possibly to 19 20 support direct fulfillment on Facebook ads or to create a standalone app store." 21 22 That's what was written in this Google document, right? 23 24 Correct. In fact, Google's leadership had significant concerns 25

KOCHIKAR - DIRECT / HUESTON about Facebook's ability to distribute third party apps, right? 1 From a user security perspective, yes. 2 Α. Well, let's look at that. Let's go to Trial Exhibit 1549. 3 Q. This is an email from you. If you can quickly identify that. 4 5 1549. One moment, please. A. 6 Q. Sure. 7 Yes. Α. MR. HUESTON: And we'd move to admit this at this 8 9 time, Your Honor. MS. CHIU: No objections. 10 THE COURT: It's admitted. 11 (Trial Exhibit 1549 received in 12 evidence.) 13 BY MR. HUESTON: 14 15 Let's go to your email at the bottom of the second page, top 16 of the third page. And this is an email from you to 17 Marc Shedroff at Facebook, correct. Do you see that there on the screen? 18 19 Yes. Α. 20 Okay. And you state on the third page to Mr. Shedroff: "The reference to 3P" --21 That's third party, right? Do you see that? 22 23 Yes. Α. (As read): 24 Q.

"The reference to third party installs in

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your email has caused significant concern among
 1
                Android leadership."
 2
                Those are your words, right?
 3
          Yes.
 4
     Α.
 5
          Now let's go to Trial Exhibit 1546. And you'll recognize
     Q.
     this as a set of meeting notes for discussions you were involved
 6
     with, with Facebook, correct?
 7
          Yes.
 8
     Α.
              MR. HUESTON: Move this into evidence at this time.
 9
              MS. CHIU: No objections.
10
                          It is admitted.
11
              THE COURT:
                                  (Trial Exhibit 1546 received in
12
                                  evidence.)
13
     BY MR. HUESTON:
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15
          Okay. And it's up on the screen.
16
                And you attended this meeting on behalf of Google,
17
       right?
18
     A.
          Yes.
          Let's go to the second page of the document, seventh bullet
19
20
     point, starting with, quote, "still is some confusion."
21
                And then it states fully here:
                    "Still is some confusion on the OEM side as
22
23
                they are coming into FB, Facebook, saying
                Google has put this piece of paper in front of
24
                us."
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1
                Do you see those words?
 2
          Yes.
     Α.
          And you agree that Facebook's understanding, based on
 3
     conversations with OEMs, is that install restrictions on Facebook
 4
 5
     was coming from Google, right?
          That's their understanding.
 6
     Α.
 7
          Right. Now, let's go to the third page. We're going to
     Q.
     pull this up, second to last section. It says "FB."
 8
     Facebook, right?
 9
          Yes.
10
     Α.
11
     Q.
          (As read):
                    "Facebook execs are very frustrated,
12
                including Zuck, for a few reasons."
13
                You see that?
14
15
          Yes.
     Α.
16
          And you understood Zuck, that referred to Facebook's CEO
17
     Mark Zuckerberg, right?
18
     Α.
          Yes.
19
          And it continues, quote:
20
                     "Their perception, Google is overreaching,
21
                interjecting involvement. This is our own
22
                program that we have between OEM and carriers."
                Right?
23
          That's their perception.
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25
          Okay. And let's go to the second bullet there.
     Q.
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"Google is switching positions. There have 1 been extensive discussions between Hiroshi and 2 Dan, Rose and John L. where apparently 3 alignment Google was okay for Facebook and to 4 5 update one and three apps. We share we had a different historical impression." 6 That's what's written there, right? 7 Yes, it says we had a different historical impression. 8 Α. And, in fact, around early 2020, Google was specifically 9 Q. negotiating new contracts with OEMs to bar Facebook's install 10 11 permissions, correct? I wasn't involved. I just got to learn from here. 12 Well, let's look. Let's go to Trial Exhibit 1545. 13 And this Q. is an email that you're a recipient of, correct? 14 15 Yes. Α. 16 MR. HUESTON: Okay. We move this in at this time. 17 MS. CHIU: No objections. THE COURT: It's admitted. 18 (Trial Exhibit 1545 received in 19 20 evidence.) BY MR. HUESTON: 21 And this is an email from Mary Liz McCurdy on March of 2020, 22 23 right? 24 Α. Yes. And she writes: "FB," Facebook, "reached out this weekend 25

- 1 | with an urgent request to get an exemption from reported
- 2 | negotiations the Android BD team is driving, offering a premium
- 3 tier to not allow OEM installers."
- 4 Right?
- 5 **A.** Yes.
- 6 Q. Okay. And the proposal by Google to phone manufacturers to
- 7 | no longer allow installers, that was referred to as RSA 3.0,
- 8 right?
- 9 **A.** Yes.
- 10 Q. Okay. And Facebook wanted an exemption from that, right?
- 11 **A.** That's what they are claiming here.
- 12 **Q.** Yeah.
- 13 **A.** Yes.
- 14 Q. But they didn't get an exemption, did they?
- 15 **A.** A lot happened. It's much bigger than that.
- 16 **Q.** The answer is no, they didn't get an exemption, right?
- 17 A. We changed how we looked at RSA, so the exemption wasn't
- 18 material.
- 19 Q. Okay. Well, faced with what they were describing as
- 20 | interference, Facebook agreed to focus on just first party
- 21 installations, right?
- 22 **A.** There's much bigger context here. I can go over it later
- 23 perhaps.
- 24 | Q. Well, Facebook did agree to focus on first party
- 25 | installations, right?

- 1 A. They agreed with our concerns on security. We had a
- 2 discussion. And that's how they made their decision
- 3 independently.
- 4 Q. And faced with that interference, Facebook additionally
- 5 | agreed to allow for Google's own solution for third party
- 6 installations, right?
- 7 A. Facebook AB tested solutions. That's what they do.
- 8 They're a very big company.
- 9 Q. They agreed to allow for Google's own solutions on third
- 10 party installations, right, ultimately?
- 11 **A.** They were willing to try a pilot with Google's own
- 12 solution.
- 13 Q. And so at the end, Ms. Kochikar, Facebook is not using its
- 14 permissions to install third party apps in the United States,
- 15 | correct?
- 16 **A.** Yes.
- 17 **Q.** Okay.
- 18 **A.** Oh. Well, I have no way to prove it. You know, since I'm
- 19 under oath, I have no way to prove it. They have the
- 20 permissions. They may be doing it. I have no way to prove it.
- 21 Q. At the time of your deposition, you recall that your
- 22 understanding was that they were, in fact, not using permissions
- 23 | to install third party apps in the U.S., right?
- 24 **A.** That is what they've assured us; they've said.
- 25 Q. Now, Ms. Kochikar, you testified yesterday that all apps can

- 1 offer their own billing solution as part of User Choice Billing,
- 2 | correct?
- 3 **A.** Apps can in markets where User Choice Billing is
- 4 available.
- 5 Q. Yeah. But you admit that games are not eligible for User
- 6 | Choice Billing, right?
- 7 **A.** Except in Korea, yes.
- 8 Q. Right. And games, they constitute at least 80 percent of
- 9 Google Play transaction revenues, right?
- 10 A. Correct.
- 11 Q. Right. So Google does not provide any billing choice, real
- 12 or fake, for games that provide the vast majority of Google Play
- 13 revenues, right?
- 14 A. Not yet.
- 15 **Q.** Okay. Not through today, right?
- 16 **A.** Yes.
- 17 | Q. All right. Now, you were talking about games and apps
- 18 | yesterday. Despite drawing a distinction between games and apps
- 19 | and Google's policies like User Choice Billing, you agree that
- 20 | that apps/games distinction, that doesn't make any sense in the
- 21 | real world, right?
- 22 | A. I don't think so. I think everybody would identify there
- 23 | are apps, and games are a type of app. Like, there are
- 24 | non-gaming apps and games.
- 25 | Q. So you think it does make sense in the real world; is that

- 1 right?
- 2 **A.** Yes.
- 3 Q. Okay. Well, let's look at that. Let's go to Trial
- 4 Exhibit 8025 in binder 2.
- 5 And this is a slide presentation titled Play Payments
- 6 Policy.
- 7 **A.** Sorry. Binder 2. I was in the wrong place.
- 8 Q. Yeah. Okay.
- 9 **A.** Yes.
- 10 Q. Do you see that?
- 11 **A.** Yes.
- 12 MR. HUESTON: And we'd move this into evidence at this
- 13 | time.
- MS. CHIU: No objections.
- 15 **THE COURT:** It is admitted.
- 16 (Trial Exhibit 8025 received in
- 17 evidence.)
- 18 BY MR. HUESTON:
- 19 Q. And, in fact, you contributed to this document, correct?
- 20 A. I don't -- I don't know. Did I?
- 21 **Q.** You're a co-author of this document, right?
- 22 **A.** Okay.
- 23 | Q. Let's look at this. This is called Play Payments Policy,
- 24 right?
- 25 **A.** Oh, I'm maybe in the wrong place.

- 1 Oh, yes, of course.
- 2 Q. Okay. You recognize it now, right?
- 3 **A.** Yes, I do.
- 4 Q. Okay. And, in fact, you were a co-author of this document,
- 5 | right?
- 6 **A.** Yes.
- 7 Q. Okay. Thank you. And it's called Play Payments Policy,
- 8 dated June 17, 2020, right? Do you see? It's on the screen.
- 9 A. Yes. Thank you.
- 10 Q. Let's go to the third page of the document, also on the
- 11 | screen. You see a number of comments on this page, correct?
- 12 **A.** Yes.
- 13 **Q.** Okay. I'm going to draw your attention to the fourth
- 14 | comment down. I'm pulling it out here in the fifth row. And
- 15 | this one dates June 17th, 2020, with the time listed as 19:40.
- 16 **A.** Yes.
- 17 **Q.** And that's your comment, right?
- 18 A. Yes, I think so.
- 19 Q. Yes. And in the second paragraph, it states, quote:
- 20 "We have successfully done this across
- various verticals, apps and games."
- You see that, right?
- 23 **A.** Yeah.
- 24 | Q. And then you say, quote:
- "I am not sure Sundar thinks about the

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world as apps and games, to be honest."
 1
                Right? You see that language?
 2
          Yes.
 3
     Α.
          Okay. And Sundar, that refers to Google's CEO Sundar
 4
 5
     Pichai, right?
 6
     Α.
          Yes.
 7
          And then you continue referring to Mr. Pichai, quote:
     Q.
                     "I think he views our partners as part of
 8
                various verticals. That's how Don thinks about
 9
                them as well."
10
11
                Right? You see that?
12
     Α.
          Yes.
          And then you conclude this comment by writing, quote:
13
     Q.
                     "Apps and games is our classification that
14
15
                does not make much sense in the real world."
16
                End quote.
17
                Your words, right, ma'am?
18
     Α.
          Yes.
              MR. HUESTON:
                             Thank you.
19
20
                Pass the witness.
21
              THE COURT:
                           Okay.
22
                               CROSS-EXAMINATION
     BY MS. CHIU:
23
          Good morning, Ms. Kochikar.
24
25
          Good morning.
     Α.
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- 1 Q. Ms. Kochikar, you were asked some questions about agreements
- 2 | that Google entered into with various developers; do you remember
- 3 that?
- 4 **A.** Yes.
- 5 Q. Did Google ever bribe any developer not to open its own app
- 6 store?
- 7 **A.** No.
- 8 Q. And counsel asked you some questions about agreements with
- 9 Riot Games, ABK, and Supercell.
- 10 **A.** Yes.
- 11 Q. I just wanted to talk to you about those agreements in a
- 12 | little bit more detail.
- 13 Let's start with Riot Games.
- 14 **A.** Okay.
- 15 | Q. Why was Google interested in offering Riot a Games Velocity
- 16 | Program deal?
- 17 **A.** Riot is one of the biggest and most impressive game
- 18 developers. League of Legends is legendary. We were excited
- 19 about the possibility of a very legendary game that has made
- 20 | more than a billion dollars -- could make more than a billion
- 21 dollars on mobile to come to our platform.
- 22 | Q. Did you participate in the discussion with Riot Games?
- 23 **A.** Yes.
- 24 Q. And what were the discussions like?
- 25 | A. It started off very aggressive, you know, like

negotiations do; and then we said why don't we come and sit 1 together and have a conversation. 2

We took all our experts across technology, marketing, user experience to Riot for a three-day workshop, and we had a conversation about what it takes to build a mobile game and make it successful.

Riot realized that it's very different from building a PC game and marketing a PC game and asked for more engagement, deeper engagement to understand how to launch on mobile.

- Now, Ms. Kochikar, was this the first time that Riot Games 10 Q. 11 was launching its titles on mobile devices?
- 12 Α. Yes.

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- Were you aware when you were having these discussions with 13 0.
- Riot Games if they had other options for launching their titles 14
- 15 on mobile?
- 16 Α. Yes.
- And what were those options? 17 Q.
- Well, there are other app stores, they could sideload, and 18 Α.
- they could, you know, decide to -- or sideload. 19
- 20 Now, Riot mentioned to you they were interested in opening
- their own store. Do you remember that testimony that you gave? 21
- Yes, on the very first call, which was very aggressive. 22 Α.
- And can you explain what your understanding of that meant? 23 Q.
- It meant that they -- you know, Riot has always done 24
- everything in-house. Coming to mobile was new and actually 25

- quite disconcerting for them. And so somehow, part of it 1
- This is how we've done it before. Part of it meant: 2
- I'm here to negotiate with you. 3
- And mobile works differently, so we had to have a 4
- conversation with them. 5
- 6 Q. Now, when you say they've done it themselves before, what do
- you mean by that for their PC games? 7
- In PC games, Riot has built everything in-house. They do 8
- even their video production in-house. They do all their 9
- marketing in-house. They are not used to partnering in a way 10
- 11 that requires building trust and working together. Not that
- they don't do it. They're a fantastic partner, a fabulous 12
- company. It was just, mobile works differently, and so they 13
- had to learn how mobile works. 14
- And specifically, do they have their own platform for 15
- 16 distributing their PC games, Ms. Kochikar?
- 17 Yes, of course, and they still do. They have a store with Α.
- which they can distribute on the -- on a PC as well as on the 18
- web. 19
- Ms. Kochikar, does Riot distribute content that's developed 20
- by anybody else besides Riot on that PC store? 21
- I don't think so. 22 Α.
- 23 Now, how did you react when you heard that Riot thought
- about going it alone on mobile? 24
- 25 Α. Like I react to any partner who talks to me. I try to

- 1 find middle ground. I want to understand why they want to do
- 2 | it, understand how we can pitch what we can do for them, and
- 3 give them the choice. That's what partnerships is about.
- 4 Q. So, I want to turn your attention to a document that counsel
- 5 showed you this morning. It's Number 1478. It's in the first
- 6 | binder that you would have looked at.
- 7 **A.** Too many papers.
- 8 Q. I know. I believe it's in a white binder, Ms. Kochikar.
- 9 A. Yes, I got it. Thank you.
- 10 Q. So counsel asked you about the context on this document,
- 11 | which was describing the Riot Games Velocity Program deal; do you
- 12 remember that?
- 13 **A.** Yes.
- 14 Q. Could you explain to the jury what you meant about the
- 15 | context -- about pulling out all the stops to get Riot to stop
- 16 | their in-house app store efforts?
- 17 | A. We took all experts for three days down to L.A. to meet
- 18 | them in person. It was a big investment. We truly wanted to
- 19 show them how much we cared about the games and how much we
- 20 | wanted to partner with them. They had a choice after that.
- 21 Q. And, Ms. Kochikar, did Google ever ask Riot not to open its
- 22 | own store as part of their mobile distribution strategy?
- 23 **A.** No.
- 24 **Q.** Did Google ever suggest in negotiations with Riot that they
- 25 | should not open their own store as part of their mobile

distribution strategy?

2 **A.** No.

- 3 Q. So Google and Riot signed a Games Velocity Program
- 4 | agreement; is that correct?
- 5 **A.** Yes.
- 6 Q. Those are written contracts; is that right?
- 7 **A.** Yes.
- 8 Q. Were there any promises or commitments made by either Riot
- 9 or Google that were not reflected in the written agreements?
- 10 **A.** No.
- 11 Q. Ms. Kochikar, as part of the Riot GVP agreement -- and by
- 12 GVP, I mean Games Velocity Program -- was Riot prohibited from
- 13 opening its own store?
- 14 **A.** No.
- 15 Q. As part of the Games Velocity Program agreement with Riot,
- 16 was Riot prevented from distributing its games on any other
- 17 | mobile platform?
- 18 **A.** No.
- 19 Q. And as part of Games Velocity agreement with Riot, were they
- 20 prohibited from distributing their games on any other Android App
- 21 Store?
- 22 **A.** No.
- 23 Q. Was Riot prohibited from distributing its games on the Apple
- 24 | App Store as part of the Games Velocity Program agreement?
- 25 **A.** No.

- Q. So let's talk about ABK, or Activision Blizzard, another agreement that counsel asked you about this morning.
- So Google also entered into a Games Velocity Program deal with ABK; is that right?
- 5 **A.** Yes.
- Q. Can you explain to the jury why Google was interested in offering a Games Velocity Program deal to ABK?
- 8 A. Again, Activision Blizzard, storied game developer.
- 9 Call of Duty. I'm sure everybody has heard Diablo. Big
 10 titles, very attractive for the users.
- Me, personally, I was excited about bringing them to
 kids in India, which never had an option to Play on a PC, for
 example. And King, one of the biggest casual games that is on
 tens of millions of devices -- or users.
- Q. Do you -- what are the titles that the jury might have heard of that Activision Blizzard King develops?
- 17 **A.** Candy Crush.
- Q. Now, you testified earlier that Google needed to request
 approval from the business counsel for the deal that was offered
 to ABK; do you remember that?
- 21 **A.** Yes.
- 22 Q. Can you explain to the jury why that was necessary?
- A. Yeah. The business council gives us guidelines on how to
 do certain kinds of deals. The Games Velocity Program had very
 clear guidelines. Activision Blizzard was going to be one

of -- needed more investment because they're going to be one of our biggest investors in cloud.

And cloud, as you know, is a big area of investment for Google; and therefore, we needed to go back to the business council.

- Q. Now, Ms. Kochikar, I think you mentioned that ABK claimed that they were going to open their own mobile Android App Store.

 Did I hear that right?
- 9 **A.** Yes.

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- 10 Q. Can you tell the jury what those discussions were like?
- 11 A. It was part of, in the middle of a very strong negotiation
- 12 across cloud and ads and Play. And during negotiations, lots
- of claims get made. Our job is to put the best offer forward,
- 14 and very complex, important business people on the other side
- will decide whether that is right for them or not.
- 16 Q. Now, counsel asked you about an email exchange describing
- 17 the negotiations with ABK. If, in the same binder you were
- 18 looking at, I could direct your attention to Exhibit 1522.
- 19 **A.** Yes.
- 20 Q. And so counsel asked you earlier about your email that
- 21 | appears at the top of the first page, and I just wanted to see if
- 22 | you could explain to the jury what you were trying to communicate
- 23 | in your email there.
- 24 A. Yes. Blizzard has a web store through which Blizzard
- 25 | sells in-app items. Those items, when people pay for, Play

doesn't make any money, but people can use it on the game on 1 mobile because it's an item that you bought. You own it. You 2

can use it inside a mobile. 3

> So we honestly knew that Activision Blizzard would be evaluating different distribution channels. We wanted Play to be one of those channels that they would evaluate.

- Ms. Kochikar, while you were negotiating with ABK, did you Q. personally believe that they were going to open their own mobile app store?
- I did not. 10 Α.

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- And I'm going to do a little bit of binder switching. 11 Q.
- you could look at the black binder that we just handed up to you. 12
- I'm going to make sure I don't drop things. All right. 13 Α.
- And let's take a look at Exhibit 5696. 14 Q.
- 15 5696. Okay. Α.
- 16 And this is an email that reflects Google comments and a
- 17 Google document that's dated December 6, 2019; do you see that?
- 18 Α. Yes.
- Do you recall commenting on this document around 19
- 20 December 2019?
- Yes. 21 Α.
- 22 And you would have done that in the normal course of your
- duties at Google? 23
- Α. 24 Yes.
- We move this into evidence Your Honor. 25 MS. CHIU:

KOCHIKAR - CROSS / CHIU 1 MR. HUESTON: No objection. THE COURT: It's admitted. 2 (Trial Exhibit 5696 received in 3 evidence.) 4 5 BY MS. CHIU: So I'd like to direct your attention to the top of the 6 There is a line of text that starts "Activision has told 7 email. us." 8 9 Do you see that? Yes. 10 Α. 11 And if I understand this correctly, this is text in a document and, below it, are some comments that people made; is 12 that correct? 13 Correct. This was in the middle of our discuss- -- deal 14 Α. 15 negotiations. 16 That's right. So could you read aloud to the jury the line 17 that's highlighted? That's the text that was in the document. 18 Α. (As read): "Activision has told us that they will 19 20 build their own Mobile Store. Tencent has opened up a dialogue with Sameer, Sundar, Don. 21 Tencent Company, Epic, has done sideloading and 22 23 turned their Fortnite launcher into an Epic

This is from my colleague Marc Theermann.

game store."

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- 1 Q. Now, it appears that you commented regarding that line of
- 2 text from Mr. Theermann; is that right?
- 3 **A.** Yes.
- 4 Q. Okay. So if you look a couple of lines below, it's your
- 5 comment underneath your name.
- 6 Do you see that?
- 7 **A.** Yes.
- 8 Q. Could you please read aloud for the jury what your comment
- 9 was on December 6th, 2019?
- 10 **A.** (As read):
- 11 This risk is not real. Launching off Play
- 12 is not a big risk."
- 13 | Q. And what did you mean by that?
- 14 **A.** I truly believed in our partnership. They were very big
- 15 on Play, and we had worked very strongly together. I didn't
- 16 | think it was a really big risk.
- 17 | Q. Ms. Kochikar, did Google ever ask ABK not to open its own
- 18 store?
- 19 **A.** No.
- 20 | Q. Did Google ever suggest to ABK that they should not open
- 21 | their own store?
- 22 **A.** No.
- 23 Q. Now, Google and ABK signed a Games Velocity Program deal; is
- 24 | that correct?
- 25 **A.** Yes.

Those are written contracts?

2 **A.** Yes.

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- 3 Q. Were there any promises or commitments made by either ABK or
- 4 Google that were not reflected in those written agreements?
- 5 **A.** No.
- 6 Q. And as part of the Games Velocity Program agreement, was ABK
- 7 | prevented from opening its own store?
- 8 **A.** No.
- 9 Q. As part of the Games Velocity Program agreement, was ABK
- 10 | prevented from distributing its games on any other mobile
- 11 | platform?
- 12 **A.** No.
- 13 Q. And as part of the Games Velocity Program agreement, was ABK
- 14 | prohibited from distributing its titles on any other Android
- 15 store?
- 16 **A.** No.
- 17 | Q. As part of the Games Velocity Program agreement, was ABK
- 18 | prohibited from distributing its games on the Apple App Store?
- 19 **A.** No.
- 20 | Q. Ms. Kochikar, did you consider the Games Velocity Program
- 21 deal with ABK to be a success?
- 22 **A.** Yes.
- 23 Q. And are you aware whether ABK was pleased with the results
- 24 of that contract?
- 25 **A.** Yes, they are very pleased. They wanted a renewal.

- So let's go again into the black binder to Exhibit 6390. 1 Q.
- Give me one second. 2 Α.
- Yes. 3
- What is this document? 4 Q.
- 5 With all our top partners, we have something called as Α.
- business reviews, sometimes quarterly, sometimes half yearly, 6
- 7 where partners come and share with us their impressions of
- different activities or initiatives or programs we've done 8
- together. 9
- This is a presentation from Activision Blizzard at one 10
- 11 of the QBRs, we call them, quarterly business reviews.
- And did you attend this QBR with Activision? 12 Q.
- 13 Α. Yes.
- And you received this in the normal course of your 14
- 15 responsibilities at Google.
- 16 Α. Yes.
- 17 MS. CHIU: We would move this into evidence, Your
- 18 Honor.
- No objection. 19 MR. HUESTON:
- THE COURT: It's admitted. 20
- 21 (Trial Exhibit 6390 received in
- 22 evidence.)
- BY MS. CHIU: 23
- So, Ms. Kochikar, I'd like to look at the second page of 24
- 25 this exhibit. It says Executive Summary.

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- Q. Can you read the first bullet point under the Executive Summary title?
- A. (As read):

"Current partnership drove Google Play
ecosystem growth across several key metrics
versus your competitor, including."

Q. And then there's some information that appears below that.

Before we get to that, can you describe -- or can you

explain to me what the reference to "your competitor" means

- 11 here?
- 12 **A.** Apple App Store and the iOS platform.
- Q. And what was ABK telling you about the results of the deal, the Games Velocity Program deal, in this slide?
- 15 A. Saying that working together has been beneficial for them

 on Android and it has actually helped them grow their business.
 - Q. So let's turn to another page, which is 63904 of this document.

Can you read what this slide title is?

- A. Partnership Led to Higher Paid Installs Versus Competitor.
- 21 Q. And what is being communicated on this slide?
- 22 A. It's being communicated that one of the components of the
 23 GVP program was that we were co-investing in marketing to
 24 acquire users. So they're saying partnership led to it being

effective, more paid installs, that is, more user acquisition

- 1 happened as a consequence versus competitor.
- 2 Q. Now, Ms. Kochikar, I just want to be clear. Who prepared
- 3 | this document?
- 4 **A.** ABK.
- 5 **Q.** And they presented it to you at a meeting; is that right?
- 6 **A.** Yes.
- 7 | Q. Okay. Did the deal with ABK provide any business benefits
- 8 to Google?
- 9 A. Yeah, significant.
- 10 **Q.** And what were those benefits?
- 11 A. They are one of our biggest cloud customers. When we
- 12 started the GVP program, very few of the top game developers
- even knew Google Cloud, and we were coming from behind. And so
- 14 ABK became an anchor customer that allowed for other game
- 15 developers to also consider Google Cloud. So that was
- 16 important.
- 17 The marketing, as you pointed out, led to more; and of
- 18 course, their business on Play has grown significantly; and
- 19 together, we have helped them grow.
- 20 Q. Now, Ms. Kochikar, let's turn to the Supercell agreement
- 21 | that counsel was talking about. That was not a Games Velocity
- 22 | Program agreement; is that right?
- 23 A. Correct.
- 24 | Q. And why did Supercell tell Google they weren't interested in
- 25 | a Games Velocity Program agreement?

A. Because what we offered them didn't have value for them.

If I could take a moment. The Games Velocity Program offered four things: an ability to invest in Cloud, an ability to invest in our Ads, an ability to invest in YouTube, as well as the -- some co-marketing.

Supercell already had a commitment to a different cloud customer.

THE COURT: All right. We need to break this -- these long narrative answers aren't flying. So just ask some questions to break this up, please.

MS. CHIU: Yes, Your Honor.

12 BY MS. CHIU:

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- Q. Ms. Kochikar, let's just focus right now on the Supercell agreement.
- 15 **A.** Yes.
- 16 Q. You mentioned that they already had a commitment in cloud;
- 17 | is that correct?
- 18 A. Yes, they had a commitment in cloud, and they were not
- 19 using our Ads product. And so they did not find the GVP offer
- 20 attractive.
- 21 | Q. But you continued to negotiate with Supercell; is that
- 22 | correct?
- 23 **A.** Yes.
- 24 Q. Now, when you were having the Games Velocity Program
- 25 | agreement discussions with Supercell, did they tell you they were

- 1 | planning to launch their own web store?
- 2 **A.** Yes.
- 3 **Q.** And how did you know that?
- 4 A. Because they're a good partner. We discussed these
- 5 things.
- 6 Q. And did you continue having negotiations with them, despite
- 7 | them telling you about the web store?
- 8 A. Absolutely. We even discussed what their web store would
- 9 do.
- 10 Q. Now, after they decided that the GVP benefits didn't really
- 11 | fit for their business needs, did the -- did the discussions
- 12 | continue with Supercell?
- 13 **A.** Yes, of course.
- 14 Q. And what did you discuss with them?
- 15 **A.** Everything from new game launches, their investing
- 16 companies, as well as where we could partner together with
- 17 | their current games.
- 18 Q. And counsel asked you about whether Supercell wanted a
- 19 reduction in the service fee as part of their discussions with
- 20 Google; do you remember that?
- 21 **A.** Yes.
- 22 Q. Can you explain what those discussions involved in more
- 23 detail?
- 25 | figure out whether the channel is providing value and whether

1 the fees are right.

Our goal is to find out how we can continue to invest in their business and know that our fees are okay.

- Q. Now, you did -- Google did enter into an agreement with Supercell; is that right?
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- **Q.** What were the components of that agreement?
- A. We -- we wanted them to invest in emerging markets, which is very important. Billions of Android users are in emerging markets.
 - Those markets are difficult to monetize, and so we needed Supercell to make a bet, so we are going to put skin in the game, put money in so that they put -- they do development of the game and we target emerging markets.
- Q. And, Ms. Kochikar, could you explain to the jury what exactly you mean by "emerging markets"?
- A. These are markets like India and Brazil and Indonesia,

 several parts of the -- like, Turkey, Middle East, Africa, some

 of the earlier markets where Android is still quite an

 attractive platform.
- Q. Now, counsel described a component of the Supercell agreement as a \$24,000,000 cash payment. Is that true?
- 23 **A.** They were an investment for them to make changes in their game and pricing to make their product attractive for emerging markets. So it's not a cash payment. It was a co-investment.

- 1 Q. Ms. Kochikar, did Google enter into any agreement with
- 2 | Supercell that prevented them from opening their own store?
- 3 **A.** No, not at all.
- 4 Q. And did Google enter into any agreement with Supercell that
- 5 | prevented Supercell from distributing their titles on any other
- 6 | mobile platform?
- 7 **A.** No.
- 8 Q. So, Ms. Kochikar, I know we've been talking about the Games
- 9 | Velocity Program or Project Hug for a while. Let's step back and
- 10 | talk about the program at a higher level.
- 11 What was Google's goal for the Games Velocity Program?
- 12 **A.** Make sure that the best games launch on Play on the same
- 13 day and date while they're launching anywhere else.
- 14 | Q. And why was this important to Google?
- 15 **A.** Because these are important -- we have a commitment to our
- 16 users. If great apps and games don't launch on day and date on
- 17 | a device, then chance are people will move to a competing
- 18 | platform. And it's an important thing for our business.
- 19 Q. Now, Ms. Kochikar, was the goal of the Games Velocity
- 20 | Program to pay off game developers not to open their own app
- 21 stores?
- 22 **A.** No.
- 23 **Q.** And, in fact, what were the only commitments that Google
- 24 asked of developers who signed a Games Velocity Program deal?
- 25 **A.** Just to simship, means launch your title on the same day

- 1 and date on Play as any other store or any other platform.
- 2 Q. So let's look at a document that might help walk through how
- 3 | the Games Velocity Program worked. If you could look in the
- 4 black binder at Exhibit 5714.
- 5 **A.** Yes.
- 6 Q. What is this document?
- 7 A. This is a document which is -- describes the project for a 8 review, the Games Velocity Program for a review.
- 9 MS. CHIU: Your Honor, we would move this document 10 into evidence.
- 11 MR. HUESTON: No objection.
- 12 **THE COURT:** It's admitted.
- 13 (Trial Exhibit 5714 received in
- 14 evidence.)
- 15 BY MS. CHIU:
- 16 Q. So, Ms. Kochikar, I'd like to turn your attention to page 4.
- I believe you were mentioning the four service packs
- 18 that were part of Games Velocity Program. Could you just
- 19 briefly describe how the Games Velocity Program structure
- 20 worked?
- 21 **A.** Yes. So we looked at the end-to-end life cycle of
- 22 | building a game; so, too, and what Google products could help.
- 23 | So we brought together Android and Cloud. You can see the
- 24 | logos on the top. Play and Ads and YouTube. And all of them
- 25 | could help a game developer.

We created service packs, because we didn't think it should be all or nothing. So a game developer could pick one or the other. So we took these five products, created four service packs.

The first one, build and test, is about investing in Cloud.

Second, launch and grow, is what we can do on the store, in terms of promoting the app on the store, doing -- you know, giving them some consulting services to figure out how to take it to different markets.

The third is about working with our Ads to do paid acquisition.

And the fourth is about using YouTube to build a community around their games.

Q. So let's look at a few of these examples to understand them a little bit better.

You mentioned Cloud. How did the Cloud credits component work for Games Velocity Program?

- A. We took 2 percent of the fees that a developer pays us and gave it as a credit to invest in Cloud. However, they had to invest significantly more in Cloud to get it.
- Q. And why would Cloud credits help a game developer?
- A. Cloud infrastructure is an important decision for game developers. Google Cloud was not understood. We were coming from behind. The credits give them an opportunity to test it.

We always wanted to put skin in the game to help them try it out, and then they can invest more.

- Q. And what about Ads? Could you describe how the Ads credit worked?
- A. All businesses spend on Ads to acquire users. We said we would put one dollar for every \$3 that the developer puts in.
- 7 | So, again, co-invest to grow their business.
- 8 Q. I'd like to turn your attention to slide number 5,
- 9 Ms. Kochikar, which is titled Project Hug Goals and Non-Goals.
- 10 Do you see that?
- 11 **A.** Yes.

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- Q. Can you explain -- or read out what the three goals, as
- depicted on this slide, are?
- 14 A. The three goals are to prioritize Play, that is by
- 15 simshipping. The second is to invest in Google products and
- 16 grow their business. And the third is to improve developer
- 17 | sentiment, which is build closer partnerships.
- 18 Q. Now, why is simship so important to Google Play?
- 19 A. Because our users would -- we want our users to be treated
- 20 the same as anybody else's users.
- 21 Q. And when you say "anybody else's users," what are you
- 22 referring to specifically?
- 23 | A. Apple App Store.
- 24 Q. So I believe yesterday counsel asked you about a document.
- 25 | It's Exhibit Number 1520 in the other binder if you need to take

- a look at it. But it was talking about high-potential, high-risk 1
- game developers; do you remember that? 2
- Α. Yes. 3
- Can you explain what your discussion was in this email about 4
- 5 launching on -- the importance of launching on -- within the --
- addressing fragmentation within the Android ecosystem? 6
- The Android mission has been to bring computing to 7 Yes. Α.
- the world. That means not all devices have the same 8
- capabilities. Very sophisticated games, like Fortnite or what 9
- I'm saying here, Civilization VI, can't work on all Android 10
- devices. 11
- Android fragmentation means not all devices have the 12
- 13 same capabilities. So I am coaching my team to think about
- which games will actually work on Android. 14
- 15 But you weren't worried just about high-fidelity AAA games
- as part of games developer program; is that right -- or Games 16
- Velocity Program? 17
- 18 But I want to make sure it is games that can Α.
- actually work on Android. 19
- 20 So let's go back to Exhibit 5714. You mentioned that
- simship is important because you don't want content to launch on 21
- Apple before it's on Google Play. Why is that a concern for 22
- 23 Google Play?
- Google Play is only as successful as people are using 24
- Android devices, and Apple is a very formidable competitor. 25

- 1 Q. Can you remember any examples of games that launched on
- 2 Apple before they were available on Google Play?
- 3 A. Many. Clash of Clans from Supercell took 14 months of
- 4 | work by me and my team to bring them to Android, and Fortnite,
- 5 of course, launched first on iOS.
- 6 | Q. And, Ms. Kochikar, why is it problematic for Google Play if
- 7 | these games don't launch at the same time as Google Play?
- 8 A. Our users feel like their less important. Android users
- 9 | feel that they're less important.
- 10 Q. Now, under the -- on 5714, "Goal 1: Prioritize Play," it
- 11 | also says "Maintain game parity across platforms."
- 12 Do you see that?
- 13 **A.** Yes.
- 14 \ Q. Can you explain to the jury what that means?
- 15 **A.** Sometimes people will launch an app on Android and Apple
- 16 | at the same time. However, the app on Android has fewer
- 17 | features or are not of the same quality as Apple. So this was
- 18 | saying launch on same day and date, but please also take care
- 19 of quality.
- 20 \ Q. And why is it a problem for Google Play if the game that is
- 21 | available on the Play Store doesn't have the same quality as
- 22 | available on the Apple App Store?
- 23 | A. Obviously users get frustrated, but we are also finding
- 24 | sometimes the missing features causes bullying and other things
- 25 for our users.

- Q. What do you mean by that?
- 2 A. We recently had a -- found out, in surveying some of our
- 3 | young users, that turns out a very important social media app
- 4 has rounded edges when a creator posts using an iOS device and
- 5 | square edges when somebody posts using an Android device. And
- 6 | whenever a creator posts using square edges, they get bullied.
- 7 And so then they leave and go and join an iOS, pick an iOS
- 8 device. That's just one of many examples.
- 9 Q. Thank you. Now, Ms. Kochikar, let's look at the slide. At
- 10 the bottom, there's a box that says Non-Goals; do you see that?
- 11 **A.** Yes.

- 12 **Q.** And can you read that for the jury?
- 13 **A.** The non-goal of a platform means that these are not goals
- 14 of this platform. It says, "Stop launch on other Android
- 15 | stores, example Galaxy Store. Drive additional cross PA
- 16 | integration." That is, we are only focusing on these products
- 17 | which we believe are useful for the user, not Stadia, which was
- 18 one of our more nascent gaming products.
- 19 And "Close commercial deals beyond defined scope."
- 20 There is nothing beyond the terms that have been defined here.
- 21 Q. So, Ms. Kochikar, I just want to make very clear, so it was
- 22 | a non-goal to stop launch on other Android stores; is that right?
- 23 **A.** Yes.
- 24 | Q. I'd like to look at the speaker notes on this slide.
- 25 | There's some additional text that says "Four Non-Goals." Do you

- 1 see that?
- 2 **A.** Yes.
- 3 Q. And it reads:
- 4 "It is important to note that this is not
- 5 an exclusivity program."
- 6 **A.** Yes.
- 7 | Q. What do you understand that to mean?
- 8 A. That means there are no restrictions. The developer can
- 9 | launch anywhere else using any other means.
- 10 Q. And why doesn't Google pursue exclusivity?
- 11 **A.** It's bad for the developers and bad for games.
- 12 **Q.** Why is that?
- 13 **A.** Most games are multi player, multi platform today.
- 14 Developers should have a choice to go to as many places where
- 15 the users are, and that's how games actually grow.
- 16 Q. I'd like to turn your attention to page 12 of this deck.
- Now, does this slide identify the developers that
- 18 Google approached to participate in the Games Velocity Program?
- 19 **A.** Yes.
- 20 **Q.** And how did Google identify these partners?
- 21 | A. We identified partners that were most important to our
- 22 | users by looking at time spent and dollars spent on these
- 23 | games.
- 24 | Q. And did Google enter into Games Velocity Program deals with
- 25 | these developers?

- 1 A. Most of them. You know, this list was modified a bit
- 2 | later on, but 20 out of the 21. It got slightly shortened, but
- 3 20 out of the 21.
- 4 Q. And did every developer get the same Games Velocity Program
- 5 deal?
- 6 A. They were offered the same service packs, and different
- 7 ones picked different -- picked those that were important to
- 8 | them. Some didn't pick out Cloud. Some didn't pick out Ads.
- 9 But if they picked a pack, they got the same deal.
- 10 Q. Now, did Google get any benefits, business benefits from the
- 11 | Games Velocity Program?
- 12 A. Yes, significant.
- 13 **Q.** And what were those benefits?
- 14 A. More investment across our products, more revenues for our
- 15 Ads, more content for YouTube, and of course, you know, more
- 16 user and time spent on Google Play.
- 17 | Q. So let's go to another document that might help explain some
- 18 of this.
- 19 Can you turn to Exhibit 1524.
- 20 **A.** Yes.
- 21 **Q.** Have you seen this document before?
- 22 **A.** Yes.
- 23 **Q.** And what is it?
- 24 **A.** Every program gets reviewed periodically to know whether
- 25 | it is meeting its goals and non-goals.

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                         And, Your Honor, at this time I would move
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              THE CLERK: No, it wasn't.
              MR. HUESTON: No objection.
              THE COURT:
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                                   (Trial Exhibit 1524 received in
                                     evidence.)
     BY MS. CHIU:
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creating value, and we created a lot of investment across

- 1 Q. So let's look a couple pages farther onto page 5.
- 2 | A. Yes.
- 3 | Q. Can you read what this slide title says?
- 4 | A. It says that GVP 2019 Developers Drove 1.7 percent of
- 5 | Alphabet's Revenue.
- 6 You know, Alphabet is large, so this is really
- 7 significant.
- 8 Q. And you mentioned that the Games Velocity Program was a
- 9 success because it created a lot of investment across Google.
- 10 Does this slide show that?
- 11 **A.** Yes. I think there's also another slide that describes
- 12 it, next slide.
- 13 Q. So you mentioned that 1.7 is a significant percentage
- 14 | because that's for Alphabet; is that right?
- 15 **A.** Yes.
- 16 **Q.** Okay. So let's turn to slide 6.
- 17 **A.** Okay.
- 18 Q. And does this slide provide any information about the
- 19 | investment to Google that was a result from the Games Velocity
- 20 Program?
- 21 A. Yes. You can look at column 3.
- 22 **Q.** And what does that say?
- 23 **A.** It says it boosted cross PA, which means cross product
- 24 | area, think of it as across departments, value, that is money
- 25 made.

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And what kind of money did Google make in other product
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     areas as a result of the Games Velocity Program?
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          At this particular time, we're saying it's 191 million
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     incremental Cloud commits. That means committing to buy Cloud.
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     That number has grown significantly since. 10 percent lift in
     our Ads spend, and 150 percent lift in the content that
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     developers have uploaded to YouTube. And you know YouTube
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     business is based on how much content is there on YouTube.
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          Now, Ms. Kochikar, I'd like to talk a little bit in a
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     Q.
     different topic which is why --
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              THE COURT: We'll take our morning break, and we'll
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     come back at a little bit before 10:45.
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              THE CLERK: All rise.
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                        (Recess taken at 10:25 a.m.)
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                     (Proceedings resumed at 10:41 a.m.)
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                (Proceedings were heard out of the presence of the
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      jury:)
              THE COURT: All right. Somebody wanted to discuss
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     something.
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              MR. BORNSTEIN: Yes, Your Honor. We have one issue
     which we think would be more appropriately discussed outside
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     the presence of the witness.
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              THE COURT: Oh, okay.
                All right. The witness is graciously stepping out.
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                     (The witness exits the courtroom.)
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1 MR. BORNSTEIN: Apologies. 2 THE COURT: Yes. MR. BORNSTEIN: Thank you, Your Honor. 3 During the testimony that took place before the break, 4 5 counsel elicited some testimony from the witness regarding a document that referred to -- it's Exhibit Number 5714. 6 7 THE COURT: 5714. Okay. Yes. MR. BORNSTEIN: There was testimony elicited regarding 8 the reasons why Google was not seeking exclusivity from these 9 developers. 10 11 THE COURT: Okay. MR. BORNSTEIN: And Ms. Kochikar testified that it was 12 because that's bad for developers to have exclusivity and they 13 want to grow on various platforms and so forth. 14 15 There was a document that was produced to us during 16 discovery. We alerted counsel that the document contained 17 privileged information regarding advice on this very document. 18 The document, by the way, is a video file of Ms. Kochikar speaking about this document --19 20 THE COURT: Okay. MR. BORNSTEIN: -- in which she told people at Google 21 the reason -- and I'm going from memory here. We got rid of 22 23 the document. We followed the requirements of the protective order. 24 25 She told people on video that the reason that this

said non-goal is because legal had instructed them that they 1 could not ask for exclusivity explicitly. 2 MS. CHIU: Your Honor --3 And that is why this was here. 4 MR. BORNSTEIN: 5 So we would like Your Honor to review the document in camera. 6 7 THE COURT: So this is a video snippet? MR. BORNSTEIN: Correct. It's a video of Ms. Kochikar 8 speaking to others at Google which was produced to us. We saw 9 it. We alerted counsel that there was privileged information. 10 11 THE COURT: Why was that videotaped? MR. BORNSTEIN: The video was produced to us, Your 12 13 Honor. We saw it. We said this is privileged, we believe. We alerted Google. They clawed it back. 14 15 Okay. Do you have it? THE COURT: 16 MR. BORNSTEIN: I don't, Your Honor, because we 17 returned it. We may have one sequestered copy, but we 18 obviously complied with the protective order once we alerted 19 them to the potential privilege issue and they asserted it. 20 MS. CHIU: Your Honor, I just wanted to note that counsel has basically divulged the privileged information, or 21 22 some of it. And we would ask him to refrain from doing so 23 going forward. But they alerted us to the privilege. They agreed 24 that it was privileged, and we clawed it back, and they agreed 25

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to destroy it. So it's improper to discuss the context here.
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                We don't know what the Bates number of that document
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       is or what it says.
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              THE COURT: Well, if your witness has said, you know,
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     "Oh, no, exclusivity, we didn't ask because developers don't
     like it" and there's evidence that she asked -- they didn't ask
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     for a completely different reason, you've opened the door to
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     that. Okay?
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                You elicited that testimony. You didn't have to do
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              You did. You got her to say there's one reason and one
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       that.
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       reason only why these are non-exclusive, and that's because our
       customers don't like them.
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                And your colleague here is saying: Well, that's not
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       true at all because she was told by legal -- which would make
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       some sense to me -- don't ever ask for an exclusive dealing
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       contract, which is kind of what a lawyer would probably say.
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                So if she says that, I'm definitely going to consider
       impeachment. So you bring that to me today. I want that --
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       how do I play it? Can I play it on 1980s government
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       technology?
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              MS. CHIU: Your Honor --
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              THE COURT: All I have access to is that, you know,
     media player. We'll work on that?
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MR. BORNSTEIN: Yes, Your Honor, we'll --

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No, you're not going to do it. Google is
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              THE COURT:
    going to give me the document, not you. Don't worry about it.
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              MR. BORNSTEIN: Yes, that's right.
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              MS. CHIU: Your Honor, I just want to clarify.
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              THE COURT: You give that to me by noon.
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              MS. CHIU: We will, Your Honor.
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                I just wanted to clarify, she did not say that was the
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       only reason, so that would not be --
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              THE COURT: Don't guibble with me, Counsel.
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     here every minute of this trial. I heard the testimony, and I
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     heard your question, and I saw the document.
              MS. CHIU: Thank you, Your Honor.
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              THE COURT: You're not talking me out of it.
                And you get that thing to me by noon, 12:00 p.m., so I
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       can look at it over the lunch break and have her be here.
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                How much longer do you have?
              MS. CHIU: Your Honor, I don't have an exact time, but
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     at least half an hour, 45 minutes.
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              THE COURT: That will barely work.
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                Do you have any redirect?
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              MR. HUESTON: I do, Your Honor, but that's very
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     important. Maybe when she finishes, we could do our lunch
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    break then and consider this.
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              THE COURT: No, I'm not going to do that.
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going to take this out on the jury.

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              MR. HUESTON: I can start on redirect.
              THE COURT: All right. 45 minutes would be 11:30.
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     Can you stretch it to 12:00?
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              MR. HUESTON: Absolutely.
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              THE COURT: All right. If you have to stop a few
     minutes early, but you have that in my hands no later than
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     noon, preferably earlier. All right?
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              MS. CHIU: Yes, Your Honor.
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              THE COURT: All right. Okay. Let's call the jury in
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     and the witness, please.
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                Oh, before we do that, Mr. Bornstein, am I going to
       just see this right away? This is not, like, a 45-minute thing
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       right, the video clip?
              MR. BORNSTEIN: We have, Your Honor -- because we
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     communicated to counsel the specific time when the language
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    begins, so Your Honor ought to be able to --
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              THE COURT: You need to make sure I know that. Okay.
              MR. BORNSTEIN: Fast forward to the time, yeah.
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     That's in our correspondence when we alerted them to the
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    privilege issue.
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              THE COURT: You just have to tell me when the jury
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     leaves at noon.
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            (Proceedings were heard in the presence of the jury:)
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BY MS. CHIU:

- 2 Q. Ms. Kochikar, Epic Games didn't initially launch Fortnite on
- 3 | Android through Google Play; is that right?
- 4 **A.** Yes.

- 5 | Q. And when did Fortnite first launch on mobile?
- 6 **A.** Oh. 2017, I think.
- 7 **Q.** And what platform did they first launch on?
- 8 A. On iOS, Apple's operating system.
- 9 **Q.** And when did they first launch on Android?
- 10 **A.** Several months later.
- 11 | Q. And where did they launch on Android, if not through the
- 12 | Play Store?
- 13 **A.** Exclusively on Samsung Galaxy Store for a few days and
- 14 then through sideloading.
- 15 Q. So prior to Fortnite launching on Android through the Galaxy
- 16 | Store and sideloading, did Google engage in discussions with Epid
- 17 | about potentially having Fortnite on the Play Store?
- 18 **A.** Absolutely.
- 19 Q. And why was Google interested in having Fortnite on the Play
- 20 Store?
- 21 **A.** Fortnite is an amazing game.
- 22 **Q.** And was it popular at the time, Ms. Kochikar?
- 23 A. Very popular, making several millions dollars a day -- I
- 24 | mean, maybe a million dollar a day on iOS platform. I don't
- 25 | remember the exact numbers, but lots of money on iOS as well.

1 But very, very attractive. My nieces and nephews were asking

- 2 for it.
- 3 Q. Now, Ms. Kochikar, what kinds of discussions was Google
- 4 | having with Epic about launching on Google Play?
- 5 A. Everything from technical to how to launch and what kind
- 6 of support we would find.
- 7 Fortnite is a very big game, very sophisticated. So
- 8 | we worried that it wouldn't work on enough of Android devices.
- 9 So we had our best technical people working with Epic to make
- 10 sure that it will be successful.
- 11 Q. Now, when you say Fortnite is a big game, are you referring
- 12 | to the technical size of the game?
- 13 **A.** Size, sophistication, beautiful graphics, all of the
- 14 above.
- 15 Q. And you said that you weren't sure that Fortnite would work
- 16 on all Android devices. Why was that?
- 17 **A.** Android is built for the masses. We do have very high-end
- 18 devices and very low-end devices. And Fortnite required a
- 19 | certain level of capability on the device to be able to work.
- 20 \ Q. At the time you were having the discussions with Epic, do
- 21 | you have an estimate of how many Android devices you believe
- 22 | Fortnite could be played on?
- 23 | A. We assumed that it will work on maybe somewhere between 10
- 24 and 30 percent. We were not hundred percent sure.
- 25 Q. And did Google meet in person with Epic to try and figure

out if Fortnite could come to Google Play?

2 **A.** Yes.

- 3 Q. And how so?
- 4 A. You know, my team, which is a partnerships team, was very
- 5 involved. My developer relations team was very involved. My
- 6 | technical team was very involved.
- 7 | Q. Now, Ms. Kochikar, after Epic decided -- or told Google that
- 8 they were going to launch Fortnite outside of the Play Store, did
- 9 Google continue discussions with Epic about potentially bringing
- 10 Fortnite on to Play?
- 11 **A.** Yes.
- 12 | Q. And what were those discussions like?
- 13 **A.** Initially, as was pointed out, we had a conversation to
- 14 | try to bring Fortnite to Play; but then it was just continuing,
- 15 | just like we did with Riot. How can we work technically
- 16 | together? How can we make Play Store work for you better? Can
- 17 | we help you understand our devices?
- 18 We actually bought almost hundred devices and assigned
- 19 a big team to test Fortnite so we can give feedback on what's
- 20 working, what's not working.
- 21 | Q. Now, Ms. Kochikar, I think counsel showed you Document 805,
- 22 | which would be in the first binder, the white binder. I just
- 23 | wanted to direct your attention to that.
- 24 **A.** Yes.
- 25 | Q. So let's look at page 2. Can you read out loud what it

reads next to "Objective"? 1 2 A. Yes. "Partner with Epic to secure Fortnite's 3 launch on Play and help them achieve their 4 5 goals in the gaming industry." So you've already explained to us why it was important to 6 Q. have Fortnite launch on the Play Store. 7 Can you explain to the jury why it was important for 8 Google to help Epic achieve their goals in the gaming industry? 9 Because if Fortnite was going to be successful, it 10 Yes. 11 means we had made the Android platform better; and overall, I think it's important for a good game to reach all our users. 12 Now, yesterday, counsel looked at the third heading on the 13 slide: 14 15 "Not having Fortnite on Play creates 16 significant risks for Android ecosystems and 17 Play business." Do you remember that? 18 Yes. 19 Α. 20 And he read out with you the first bullet point talking about potential revenue loss; do you recall that? 21 22 Α. Yes. And he talked about the term contagion; do you recall that? 23 24 Α. Yes.

Can you explain what you understand contagion to mean?

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          It means that somebody else making a decision would think
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     Android is not attractive, because people are making decisions
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     on which platform to build.
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          And why would that be a problem for Google Play and Android?
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          If there are no Android devices, there's no Play; and if
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     there is, that means we don't meet our goal of keeping devices
     in hands of people.
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          Now, I just wanted to look at a bullet point on that section
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     that counsel didn't ask you about, the fourth one. It says:
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                     "Longer term, this could damage Play
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                business model an Android ecosystem."
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          What do you understand that to mean?
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          There are many different things -- if great games don't
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     come to a platform, then the platform becomes less important.
     We needed to understand what the obstacles were and fix them so
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- 17 that we can help more games to come to our users. 18
- So let's look at that in a little bit more detail. 19 look at slide 5 of this deck. 20

So this is another slide I don't believe counsel 21 looked at with you yesterday. On the right side of the slide, 22 23 it says "Indirect impact."

Do you see that?

Α. Yes.

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- And there's a heading at the bottom that says "Android Brand 1 Q.
- 2 Impact."
- Do you see that? 3
- In the second column, yeah. 4 Α.
- 5 Can you read what those two sub bullet points are under Q.
- "Android Brand Impact"? 6
- (As read): 7 Α.
- "Inconsistent access to AAA games and 8
- increases perception gap with iOS ecosystem." 9
- Can you explain to the jury what those concerns were? 10 Q.
- 11 On the iOS app ecosystem, there was a very easy way to get Α.
- these games. On Android, if it was inconsistent, there would 12
- be -- people would prefer an Apple device. 13
- So counsel asked you some questions yesterday about 14
- 15 If I could just ask you to turn to that page. slide 11.
- 16 Α. Yes.
- 17 And this is where the proposal was to invest \$147,000,000 in
- 18 incremental funding.
- This was a deal that was being proposed to Epic; is 19
- that right? 20
- Yes. 21 Α.
- So I'd just like to turn your attention to one slide just 22
- before that, which is slide 10. 23
- 24 Α. Yes.
- And counsel didn't ask you about this one. 25

Can you read the title of this slide to the jury? 1 (As read): 2 A. "Demonstrating Opportunities to Co-Invest 3 in Strengthening the Fortnite Brand and to 4 5 Enrich the Ecosystem Could Convince Epic to Launch Fortnite on Play." 6 We were really working hard to bring Fortnite on Play. 7 And there's some strategic value that appears on the slide; 8 do you see that? 9 Yes. 10 Α. 11 What is the strategic value and to who is the strategic value? 12 To the Play platform as well as other parts of Google. 13 Α. Now, was Google trying to bribe Epic by offering them this 14 Q. 15 deal? 16 Α. Of course not. Now, we've talked a lot about gaming developers, 17 Q. 18 Ms. Kochikar. Is gaming an important part of Google Play's 19 business? 20 Yes. Α. So let's turn to another document that might help us with 21 Q. that. It's going to be in the black binder, Exhibit 5653. 22 23 Α. Yes.

This is an internal document where our product team is

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looking at a longer-term game strategy, product strategy --
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              MS. CHIU: We'd move this --
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              THE WITNESS: -- and market strategy.
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                         Sorry. We'd move this into evidence, Your
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              MS. CHIU:
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     Honor.
              MR. HUESTON: No objection.
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              THE COURT: It's admitted.
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                                  (Trial Exhibit 5653 received in
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                                    evidence.)
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     BY MS. CHIU:
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     Q.
          Now, this is a document that's dated June 2018, correct?
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          Yes.
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          Now, let's look at page 4. This reads (as read):
                    "Gaming has grown into a $130 billion
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                industry, larger than music and movies
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                combined."
                Can you explain to the jury what this means?
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          It means that gaming is an attractive business, lots of
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     users who are willing to pay, which means a good place to
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     invest.
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          Let's look a couple pages ahead at slide number 6.
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                What does it mean when it says "This accelerated
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       growth of games has led to a complex gaming ecosystem"?
          It means when there is an attractive business space, lots
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     of people want to come in. So folks who are console game
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     developers, PC game developers were all coming to invest in
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              So our competition was getting more fierce.
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     mobile.
          If you look at the next slide on page 7, the first bullet
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     point reads:
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                    "AAA console devs are rapidly moving to
                mobile, as console and PC users expected to
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                spend more time on mobile."
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                Do you see that?
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          Yes.
     Α.
          Can you explain to the jury what that means to you?
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          Mobile gaming has been a super attractive business.
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                                                                 It is
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     bigger than console and PC put together.
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                The fact that mobile devices are in hands of people
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       everywhere and they can play and the business model has been
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       very good for the industry, and so PC and console gaming
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       developers were coming actively into mobile.
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          And a couple of bullet points down, it says:
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                    "With increased concentration of revenues
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                and higher cost of release, developers may look
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                at disintermediating Play and go direct to
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                consumer."
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                Do you see that?
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It means that Play has to continue to work hard to be

What does that mean?

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1 | valuable for developers.

- 2 Q. And is the concern that there will be additional app stores
- 3 or that content will not be available on Google Play?
- 4 | A. That content will not be available on Google Play.
- 5 **Q.** And why would that happen?
- 6 A. Because Play is not going to be viewed as attractive if
- 7 | you don't invest the right way.
- 8 Q. So I'd like to turn your attention to slide 27, a little bit
- 9 farther in this deck.
- 10 What's reflected on this slide?
- 11 **A.** The different types of companies where you may not
- 12 | actually think are competing in gaming who are competitors.
- 13 Amazon, Facebook, Snap. Valve is a big PC store on PCs.
- 14 Tencent, Apple, Microsoft. So a large group of competitors.
- 15 Q. And if you look a couple slides later to slide 29 is an
- 16 | example of one of those competitors, Microsoft, right?
- 17 **A.** Yes.
- 18 Q. And what does this slide show?
- 19 **A.** This slide shows that our competitors are investing in
- 20 many different capabilities, and therefore, it requires
- 21 | significant, you know, investment from Google to compete.
- 22 So Microsoft is investing in hardware and discovery
- and events, working with developers. So the list on the left
- 24 is a list of capabilities that you need to invest in to even be
- able to compete in gaming.

- Q. So if we look a little bit further at page 36, can you explain to the jury what's represented on this slide?
- A. That our competitors are investing actively. It's a very busy slide, as you can see. And that Google has assets that we
- 5 need to bring together to be viable.
- Q. Ms. Kochikar, does the Games Velocity Program fit into the strategy or discussion that we're looking at in this deck?
- 8 **A.** Yes.

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- 9 **Q.** How so?
- 10 A. This is how we identified the assets we have at Google to
 11 compete in gaming. As I told before, it was Cloud and Ads and
 12 YouTube and Play.
- Q. Now, Ms. Kochikar, I'd like to step back for a minute. I know we've been talking about the Google Play Store a lot with you. I thought it might be helpful for the jury to understand exactly what the Google Play Store is.

So could you tell the jury what it is?

A. Yeah. It's a place where, you know, people can find great apps and games.

We do many things to make that possible. We put the right app in front of the right person at the right time, which is what we call discovery distribution. But to be able to do that, we make sure that those apps are safe. That means there's a lot of investment that goes into screening the apps, making sure they're safe.

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We also invest in making sure that the apps can be successful, which means investing in a commerce platform that people can buy using the form of payment that's most comfortable for them. For example, Germans like PayPal and Japanese like gift cards, et cetera. So we invest in a very comprehensive platform. And we work very hard to build an audience so there is a group of people who are there, waiting for your content. There are many other features that I can go into. So let's look at a document that might help us walk us Q. through some of that. If you could turn to Exhibit 5816, please. What is this document, Ms. Kochikar? This is a document that we wrote to describe how Play works. MS. CHIU: At this time, we move this into evidence Your Honor. MR. HUESTON: No objection. THE COURT: It's admitted. (Trial Exhibit 5816 received in evidence.) BY MS. CHIU: So let's look at slide number 4. On the right side, there's some bullet points that describe what Google Play provides to developers.

KOCHIKAR - CROSS / CHIU Can you walk through a couple of those with the jury? 1 So I think there's a few. The security features, 2 Α. which I've talked about. 3 We can talk about the tools for building, which is an 4 5 important one, and the training and services that we provide. There's also the search functionality, that people can 6 go and look for apps. 7 We have -- we have done a bunch of store investments. 8 And there is Google Play Academy. For example, we 9 provide free training for anybody who wants to build an app. 10 11 So I'd like to turn your attention to slide 006, titled Finding Success on Google Play. 12 13 Do you see that? Yes. 14 Α. 15 And so the slide reads: 0. 16 "We empower developers to do their best 17 work and help them to succeed by investing in 18 tools and resources that support their growth." Do you see that? 19 Yes. 20 Α.

- Do you agree with that statement, Ms. Kochikar? 21
- 22 Α. Yes.
- And what are some of the things that Google Play does to 23 0. empower developers to do their best work? 24
- 25 Providing the tools, providing the training. We provide Α.

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1 | consulting. We provide a lot of data to enable them to
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- 2 understand where to invest, how to invest, both technically and
- 3 from a business perspective, as well as obviously provide the
- 4 | store infrastructure, security, as well as customer service.
- If somebody wants to do a return, they have a problem,
- 6 they call and we take care of a lot of it.
- 7 Q. Now, Ms. Kochikar, how many users access Google Play Store?
- 8 **A.** 2.5 billion monthly active users.
- 9 Q. And do you know approximately how many developers publish
- 10 | their content on the Google Play Store?
- 11 **A.** More than a couple million. I think 3. You know, that
- 12 | number changes every day because there are more coming in.
- 13 Q. And, Ms. Kochikar, are there different types of developers
- 14 | that are publishing on the Google Play Store?
- 15 **A.** Yes.
- 16 Q. And how is that -- what -- can you describe some of those
- 17 | different kinds of developers?
- 18 | A. Yeah. Broadly, we think about them as app and game
- 19 developers. And the app developers have different verticals,
- 20 | like productivity, health, like meditation apps, you know,
- 21 | lifestyle apps, et cetera. That is, there are more segments,
- 22 | media, apps, et cetera.
- 23 Q. And what about the size or the sophistication of the
- 24 developers that are publishing onto Google Play? Is that also
- 25 varied?

- 1 A. Very varied. We have everybody from single entrepreneur 2 to multi-trillion-dollar companies.
- Q. Now, Ms. Kochikar, we've been discussing the benefits or some of the benefits that Google Play provides to its users and developers. I'd like to talk to you now about how Google Play charges for those benefits.

Yesterday, I believe counsel showed you some documents where some Google colleagues used the words "arbitrary" or "random" to describe the service fee. Do you recall that?

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- 11 Q. Those weren't your words though, right?
- 12 **A.** No.
- Q. Do you believe that the service fee that Google Play collects is arbitrary or random?
- 15 **A.** No.
- 16 **Q.** Why not?
- 17 A. I believe in the value we provide. I have seen what it
 18 was like before and after.

Previously, the business models were very difficult for developers to distribute their apps. And this makes it simple, and we have built a very attractive business on mobile.

- Q. Now, you said you've seen this before. What experience are you referring to, Ms. Kochikar?
- A. I worked for Nokia previously. And at that time, if you had to distribute an app, you had to go to Helsinki, knock on

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the door and say, "Could you please preload," or go to individual carriers or OEMs to say, "Can you please distribute my app."

And in doing so, most developers got 20 cents on the dollar. That means 80 percent went into, they had to build sales teams; they had to take care of all the marketing, all the testing. And you could only update once in 18 months because it got on the device.

Now developers update their apps -- I don't know -- couple times a day if they need to, and we take care of all of that.

- Q. Now, Ms. Kochikar, I believe you testified that Google only makes money when the developer makes money; do you recall that?
- 14 **A.** Yes.

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- Q. And what is the service fee that Google Play collects when that happens?
- 17 It varies significantly. For game developers who use Α. in-app purchases -- game developers who use in-app purchases, 18 the fee is 30 percent. App developers, the fee is based on the 19 Like, for example, we have something called as a 20 vertical. Media Experiences Program. So app developers on subscription, 21 it's 15 percent. But if you're a book developer, it can be as 22 23 low as 10 percent. So it depends on the vertical and the
 - Q. Ms. Kochikar, why did Google adopt this business model for

Google Play?

A. It felt right because of all the value we provide and what we are seeing how the business grows.

So, for example, in game developers, as you know, most people don't pay. These are free-to-play games. So a very small number of people pay, and everybody else plays for free. And yet mobile gaming has become a very big and attractive business. It's bigger than PC and console gaming. So that felt -- and we have all the services we provide.

And on app developers, there was cost of content that was there. Like, for example, you can't give 10 books away for free so that the 11th person pays for 10 books. So there was cost of content, so we --

THE COURT: Okay. You really need to focus.

I've given you a lot of leeway on these Ted-talk-style answers. No more. Okay? Ask questions. This is not a presentation. This is question and answer in court. All right? I've asked you that a couple times now.

MS. CHIU: Thank you, Your Honor.

THE COURT: Please focus on that.

BY MS. CHIU:

- Q. Ms. Kochikar, you said that -- you were talking about app developers. Can you just describe briefly what the service fee is for app developers?
- A. 15 percent if they're using subscription broadly, but for

different categories, it's lesser. Like books, it's 10.

- 2 Q. Now, you mentioned yesterday when counsel was questioning
- 3 you about the service fee, I believe that they were asking what
- 4 | would happen if a developer was operating in the red, if they
- 5 | still had to pay the service fee.
- 6 I think you wanted to explain that in a little bit
- 7 more detail. Could you briefly let us know what you were
- 8 thinking?
- 9 **A.** Yeah. Games get in the red or not because if the game
- 10 works or not. The business model itself is very attractive for
- 11 gaming.
- 12 Q. Now, Ms. Kochikar, Google Play only collects a service fee
- 13 when the developer actually makes money through the app; is that
- 14 right?
- 15 **A.** Yes.
- 16 Q. So if an app developer is not offering in-app purchases,
- 17 | what service fee does Google Play collect?
- 18 **A.** None.
- 19 **Q.** And are there free apps that are on Google Play?
- 20 A. Yes, many.
- 21 **Q.** How many? Can you estimate?
- 22 | A. Most apps, and even the apps that pay, most users use it
- 23 for free.
- 24 Q. Ms. Kochikar, do the developers get to take advantage of the
- 25 | benefits of Google Play even if Google isn't collecting a service

- 1 | fee because there's no in-app purchase?
- 2 **A.** Yes.
- 3 | Q. Do you know what percentage of developers don't pay any
- 4 | service fee on Google Play?
- 5 **A.** 90-some percent. Sorry.
- 6 **Q.** It's an estimate?
- 7 **A.** Yes.
- 8 Q. Okay. Now, Ms. Kochikar, to collect the service fee, Google
- 9 | Play uses its own billing system; is that right?
- 10 **A.** Yes.
- 11 **Q.** And is that called Google Play Billing?
- 12 **A.** Yes.
- 13 | Q. And can you just briefly describe some of the benefits that
- 14 | Google Play Billing provides to users and developers?
- 15 **A.** It's a secure way of paying a breadth of forms of
- 16 payments. Everything from credit card, debit cards, culture
- 17 | vouchers in Korea, PayPal, et cetera. A very broad way of
- 18 paying, as well as a way for users to cancel payments.
- 19 One of the biggest user experiences is you are keeping
- 20 subscriptions on when you don't need it. So as well as keeping
- 21 users paying, but also canceling when they need to.
- 22 | Q. Have you ever discussed with developers how easy it is for
- 23 | Google Play Billing to allow users to cancel subscriptions?
- 24 **A.** Yes.
- 25 **Q.** And have these developers told you if they like that

1 feature?

- 2 A. Some have and some don't.
- 3 | Q. So let's look at an example. I'm going to direct your
- 4 attention to Exhibit 10928 in the black binder.
- This is an email stream dated June 19th, 2018, between
- 6 yourself and Adrian Ong at Match.com; do you see that?
- 7 **A.** Yes.
- 8 Q. Do you recall receiving this email previously?
- 9 **A.** Yes.
- 10 MS. CHIU: We'd move this into evidence, Your Honor.
- 11 MR. HUESTON: No objection.
- 12 **THE COURT:** It is admitted.
- 13 (Trial Exhibit 10928 received in
- 14 evidence.)
- 15 BY MS. CHIU:
- 16 **Q.** Who is Adrian Ong, Ms. Kochikar?
- 17 | A. He was the CEO of Match.
- 18 | Q. And I'd like to direct your attention to the top -- the last
- 19 | email at the top of the page from Mr. Ong to you.
- 20 Can you describe just briefly what Mr. Ong is talking
- about in, specifically, bullet point number 3?
- 22 | A. He's talking about that retention on the Play Billing
- 23 | system is a problem.
- 24 | Q. And why was it a problem to him?
- 25 **A.** Because we are making it easy for people to cancel their

- subscriptions. 1
- And I'd just like to direct your attention to his words. 2
- says: 3
- "GPB makes it much easier to cancel a 4
- 5 subscription."
- 6 Do you see that?
- 7 Yes. Α.
- And he's also -- and the next sentence says: 8 Q.
- "Voluntary churn due to switching off 9
- renewal is significantly higher." 10
- 11 Do you see that?
- Yes. 12 Α.
- What do you understand Mr. Ong to be complaining about to 13 0.
- you? 14
- 15 In dating apps, when people find a date, then they stop Α.
- 16 using, and they should stop using the subscription.
- 17 saying they're making it easy to cancel.
- 18 Q. And the reference to GPB here is specifically to Google Play
- 19 Billing, right?
- 20 Α. Yes.
- 21 So Google Play Billing is making it too easy for Match users Q.
- to cancel their subscription? 22
- I mean, it's an easy way to cancel when they don't 23 Yeah.
- need it. 24
- 25 I just wanted to be clear that the Match Group owns Tinder,

- 1 | the dating app; is that right?
- 2 **A.** Yes.
- 3 | Q. And they also own a number of brands, like Hinge, OkCupid,
- 4 | et cetera; is that correct?
- 5 **A.** Yes.
- 6 Q. You can set that one aside.
- 7 Ms. Kochikar, does Google require all developers on 8 the Play Store to use Google Play Billing?
- 9 A. The ones that sell digital content that are used inside 10 the app, yeah.
- 11 Q. And so I think yesterday you were saying that it does not
- 12 | apply to physical goods; is that right?
- 13 **A.** Yes.
- 14 Q. Why is that the case?
- 15 A. Physical goods have -- the cost of the goods is outside
- 16 and the distribution is outside the app.
- 17 Q. And I think yesterday you were trying to give an example of
- 18 Uber. What is -- can you explain to the jury what that means,
- 19 | the service is outside the app?
- 20 A. It means the cost of -- what you pay for is an Uber ride,
- 21 which requires a car, a driver, et cetera.
- 22 Q. Now, are there business reasons why Google requires its
- 23 developers to use Google Play Billing for in-app purchases?
- 24 A. It's our business model.
- 25 | Q. And why did you choose that business model?

- 1 A. We believed it was the most developer friendly business
- 2 | model and it kept users safe.
- 3 | Q. And does it -- how does it keep users safe?
- 4 **A.** We gave an example right now about being able to cancel,
- 5 as well as our commerce platform is invested in making sure we
- 6 | support fraud management, et cetera.
- 7 | Q. Ms. Kochikar, could Google charge developers an up-front
- 8 | cost for each download of an app?
- 9 A. We could. It would be a very bad thing.
- 10 **Q.** And why is that?
- 11 **A.** Because most users across all apps use it for free. If
- 12 the developer had to pay for it, it would be very expensive,
- 13 | and it would stop innovation from happening from small
- 14 developers.
- 15 Q. Ms. Kochikar, is the requirement that developers use Google
- 16 | Play Billing a policy of the Google Play Store?
- 17 **A.** Yes.
- 18 Q. And how is that communicated to developers?
- 19 **A.** Developers have a very easy way to get on the Play Store.
- 20 There is something called the Developer Distribution Agreement,
- 21 which is easy to sign, which is with a click, you could sign
- 22 | the agreement, and then you can create a developer account.
- 23 | Q. And so I'll just turn your attention to Exhibit 10883 in
- 24 | your binder, which is the Google Play Developer Distribution
- 25 | Agreement effective as of November 17th, 2020; do you see that?

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     Honor.
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              MR. HUESTON: No objection.
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                                  (Trial Exhibit 10883 received in
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          And this is the DDA that you were -- excuse me -- the
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     Developer Distribution Agreement that you were referencing,
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     Ms. Kochikar?
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          And this -- in section 4.1, is that where the -- excuse
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     me -- Google communicates to its developers that it's required to
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     follow Google Play policies?
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          Yes.
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          And would that include the Play Billing policy?
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     publish on the Google Play Store?
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          Yes.
          Now, yesterday, counsel asked you some questions about a
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pilot program called User Choice Billing; do you remember that?

- 1 **A.** Yes.
- 2 Q. Could you just briefly explain to the jury how User Choice
- 3 | Billing works?
- 4 | A. User Choice Billing allows a developer to bring their own
- 5 | billing alongside Play, as long as it comply with policy
- 6 requirements, which is some user experience guidelines as well
- 7 | as security requirements, like being able to cancel easily.
- 8 Q. And if they take advantage of User Choice Billing, is there
- 9 | a change to the service fee that Google Play collects?
- 10 **A.** Yes. Since we don't process the payment, we don't charge
- 11 | for payment processing. So it's 4 percent less than what they
- 12 | would pay as the fee.
- So if you're paying -- your regular fee is 15 percent,
- it's 11. If your regular fee is 30 percent, it's 26.
- 15 Q. Now, what are some of the benefits to a developer if they --
- 16 | that they can take advantage if they use User Choice Billing?
- 17 **A.** Developers have a unique perspective what the users need
- 18 | and sometimes have invested in features or forms of payment
- 19 | that work for them. So it becomes 1 plus 1 is 3 when it's next
- 20 to each other.
- 21 Q. Ms. Kochikar, the jury has heard some testimony about an app
- 22 | called Bumble. Are you familiar with this app?
- 23 **A.** Very.
- 24 | Q. And that's a dating app available on Google Play; is that
- 25 | right?

A. Yes.

- 2 Q. If Bumble wanted to offer a one-day subscription within its
- 3 app, is that the kind of feature that they could have if they
- 4 | took advantage of User Choice Billing?
- 5 **A.** Yes.
- 6 Q. And yesterday, I think counsel was asking you whether
- 7 | pricing was part of the consideration in the User Choice Billing
- 8 analysis.
- 9 Do you remember that conversation?
- 10 **A.** Yes.
- 11 | Q. And I don't believe that you were really able to finish your
- 12 answer. Can you just explain briefly what you were trying to say
- 13 then?
- 14 A. Yeah. Our business model and our pricing is based on all
- 15 | services we provide, transaction processing being one of them.
- 16 And the reduction in pricing is the reduction in transaction
- 17 processing pricing.
- 18 | Q. Now, are you aware whether Apple has announced a similar
- 19 | program to User Choice Billing?
- 20 A. No, they haven't.
- 21 | Q. And, Ms. Kochikar, what types of app developers are
- 22 available -- or, excuse me.
- 23 What type of app developers can apply to this pilot
- 24 program?
- 25 | A. Any app developer.

- 1 Q. Yesterday, counsel also asked you some questions about
- 2 | Spotify; do you remember that?
- 3 **A.** Yes.
- 4 Q. And I believe that you testified that Google has an
- 5 | agreement with Spotify where the service fee that Spotify pays
- 6 Google for in-app purchases is different if downloaded from the
- 7 | Play Store; is that right?
- 8 **A.** Yes.
- 9 Q. Why did Google enter into this agreement with Spotify?
- 10 **A.** Because Spotify is very important for the bigger strategic
- 11 investment that we need to make Android successful.
- 12 **Q.** Why is that?
- 13 **A.** We have a very formidable competitor in iOS. And Apple
- 14 wins when people buy, say, an iPad for their kid or a watch
- 15 during Christmas. Then everybody becomes into an Apple
- 16 | ecosystem. We need to build a similar ecosystem on Android.
- 17 | Q. And why is Spotify important for achieving that goal?
- 18 **A.** Spotify is an app that is important across multiple
- 19 | surfaces. Like you can listen to it when you're running, on
- 20 your watch and on your tablet, on your phone, in the car with
- 21 | Android Auto. And Spotify has been excellent in investing with
- 22 us in nascent platforms, even before they become business
- 23 | critical. That means they're putting their money much, much
- 24 | earlier to help.
- 25 Q. Ms. Kochikar, did Google want to do this deal with Spotify

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- 1 | because Spotify was an agitator or because it was important to
- 2 | have it in the Play Store?
- 3 A. Because Spotify was important, not just in the Play Store,
- 4 | but also across Google. It's one of the biggest cloud
- 5 customers. One of the biggest Ad customers as well.
- 6 | Q. Now, as part of this agreement, Spotify can offer its own
- 7 | billing system alongside Google Play Billing within the app; is
- 8 | that right?
- 9 **A.** Yes.
- 10 Q. Counsel also asked you some questions about Tinder; do you
- 11 | remember that?
- 12 **A.** Yes.
- 13 Q. He showed you some documents suggesting that some people
- 14 | thought the value that Tinder gets from Google Play is less than
- 15 | what they pay in the service fee; do you recall that?
- 16 **A.** Yes.
- 17 | Q. I think you were trying to tell us a little bit about the
- 18 | growth of Tinder specifically on Google Play.
- 19 Could you briefly describe that to the jury?
- 20 A. Yeah. Tinder was one of our biggest, most successful apps
- 21 on Play. In fact, Tinder believed so much on Google Play and
- 22 | the Google Play Billing that they were on several of our
- 23 | panels, telling other developers how to use it. So they grew
- 24 on Play. The brand grew on Play.
- 25 **Q.** And how does that compare to some other Match dating apps,

like OkCupid?

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- Interestingly, the smaller apps on -- the biggest-growing 2 apps on Match are on Google Play right now, whether you call it 3 Hinge or BLK. The apps that are actively growing for Match 4 5 portfolio are on Google Play.
 - And you mentioned yesterday that in some of those documents, you felt at the time it might have reflected in some analysis that Tinder wasn't getting as much value from Google Play as the service fee that it charged.

Can you explain what you meant by "at that time"?

- Yes. When somebody has grown bigger. Α.
- I would also like to say that whenever a partner gives us input, it's in a moment in time, but we also need to understand what else is going on before we make a decision.
- And what was going on with Tinder, you think, in those documents?
- Several things. One, they were -- you know, they were Α. taking a point in time of how much installs they were getting, as well as they were trying to understand how the pricing needs 19 to be for dating apps.
- And sitting here today, Ms. Kochikar, what is the service 21 Q. 22 fee that Tinder would pay Google Play for subscriptions?
- 23 Α. 15 percent.
- And so that is half the service fee that a developer like 24 Epic would pay for a subscription, right? 25

- 1 A. Epic -- if Epic wants to choose subscription, Epic would
- 2 pay the same fee.
- 3 | Q. But if they were non-subscription, the service fee would be
- 4 | 30 percent, right?
- 5 A. Yes. If it's an in-app purchase, it's 30 percent. When
- 6 | Tinder sells in-app purchases, it's also 30 percent.
- 7 Q. Now, Ms. Kochikar, do you know how Google's service fee for
- 8 | subscriptions compares to Apple?
- 9 **A.** In Apple, the first-year fee is 30 percent; and if you
- 10 hold on to a user for an entire year, then the second-year fee
- 11 gets to 15 percent.
- 12 Q. Is Tinder the only app in the Google Play Store that pays a
- 13 | 15 percent service fee on subscriptions?
- 14 A. No. Everybody who is on subscription pays 15 percent from
- 15 day one.
- 16 **Q.** I believe one of the documents that we looked at yesterday
- 17 | was from Mr. Feng, and he said that the analysis did a nice job
- 18 of quantifying Tinder's argument.
- 19 Do you remember that email?
- 20 **A.** Yes.
- 21 | Q. And I think you were trying to explain that this was a
- 22 developer point of view. Could you explain what you meant by
- 23 | that?
- 24 **A.** Yes. When my team hears feedback from the developer, they
- 25 | try to represent the developer as accurately as possible, and

1 they'll do the analysis to show why -- how a developer could

- 2 | have come to that conclusion. We need to listen before we can
- 3 find solutions.
- 4 Q. And, Ms. Kochikar, why do you ask your team to evaluate
- 5 | information from the developer's perspective?
- 6 A. Because developers are important customers for us. They
- 7 | are our, you know, most important stakeholder.
- 8 Q. Now, Ms. Kochikar, you were asked this morning some
- 9 questions about Facebook. I think I heard you mention that there
- 10 were some security concerns with Facebook updating third party
- 11 apps. Did I get that right?
- 12 **A.** Yes.
- 13 Q. Could you tell us what those security concerns were?
- 14 A. Before an app gets on the Play Store, we do review those
- 15 apps carefully. And sometimes, despite that, some things get
- 16 through, but most apps we do manage to catch before they get.
- 17 When there is a third party app being installed
- 18 | without the infrastructure to review those apps, chances are
- 19 those apps will not be safe.
- 20 Q. Ms. Kochikar, you were shown some meeting notes this morning
- 21 | with Facebook; do you remember that?
- 22 **A.** Yes.
- 23 **Q.** Okay. And why did you get involved in that discussion?
- 24 A. My team works with Facebook as an app developer, and we
- 25 get pulled in to bridge the conversations and help the

1 developer.

- 2 | Q. And how did the situation that was described in those
- 3 | meeting notes get resolved?
- 4 A. We spent time understanding the security issues. We
- 5 brought security teams together. And Facebook acknowledged
- 6 that the security issues were real.
- 7 Q. Ms. Kochikar, you just mentioned that developers are one of
- 8 the most important stakeholders for Google Play; do you remember
- 9 that?
- 10 **A.** Yes.
- 11 | Q. Does Google Play have to compete for developer attention?
- 12 A. All the time.
- 13 **Q.** Who is it competing for for their attention?
- 14 **A.** Many platforms. As we just pointed out, there's lots of
- 15 | competition, but primarily, iOS and the Apple App Store.
- 16 | Q. But there's also competition on the Android ecosystem; is
- 17 | that right?
- 18 A. Yes. We have other stores on Android. And of course,
- 19 people can sideload and use their own means to distribute.
- 20 **Q.** So counsel asked you what an OEM app store is earlier this
- 21 morning; do you remember that?
- 22 **A.** Yes.
- 23 Q. Could you just briefly explain what that is?
- 24 **A.** Yeah. The OEM app store is an op store that is created by
- 25 | folks who build the device, like Samsung, for example.

- 1 | Q. And you testified yesterday that Samsung has its own store,
- 2 the Samsung Galaxy Store; is that right?
- 3 **A.** Yes.
- 4 | Q. And counsel also asked you about a Motorola Store and a
- 5 OnePlus Store this morning; do you remember that?
- 6 **A.** Yes.
- 7 | Q. Do you know which is the largest OEM store on Android?
- 8 A. Samsung is the biggest OEM on Android, by far.
- 9 Q. And do you know, Ms. Kochikar, on a Samsung Galaxy phone,
- 10 | where that Galaxy Store appears?
- 11 **A.** On the home screen.
- 12 Q. You also mentioned that sideloading is available on Android.
- 13 Do some developers utilize this option on Android?
- 14 **A.** Yes.
- 15 Q. I think yesterday counsel showed you some warning messages
- 16 | that are displayed when a user sideloads an app. I think the
- 17 | example was Amazon; do you remember that?
- 18 **A.** Yes.
- 19 **Q.** Can you just explain to the jury why those messages appear?
- 20 **A.** Keeping users safe is our number one priority. Unknown
- 21 | sources has been used for malware distribution and defrauding
- 22 | users. So it's just a cautionary note for the user to pay
- 23 | attention.
- 24 | Q. And yesterday, counsel asked you about some emails
- 25 discussing the sideloading process that Epic chose to use; do you

1 remember that?

- 2 **A.** Yes.
- Q. I believe you were trying to explain what the specific sideloading experience was for Fortnite on Android.
- Could you just briefly explain to the jury what you meant by that?
- 7 A. Yes. If Fortnite was -- if you were trying to just
 8 sideload Fortnite, the game, it would be a lot simpler. Epic
 9 was trying to sideload both the launcher and the game, which
 10 made it a lot more complicated.
- 11 Q. And can you just briefly explain, what is a launcher?
- 12 **A.** A launcher is -- think of it as an Epic App Store.
- Q. Now, Ms. Kochikar, you mentioned that Google Play competes
 with the Apple App Store; is that right?
- 15 **A.** Yes.
- 16 Q. And how exactly does Google Play compete with the Apple App
- 17 Store?
- 18 A. iOS devices are attractive. Most people use them. Lots
 19 of people with money use them, so developers prioritize them.
- 20 **Q.** And what do you do as part of your job to get developers to try and prioritize the Google Play Store?
- 22 A. We spend time describing everything from the business
 23 opportunity on Android, helping them build those apps, bringing
 24 in technical resources, thinking about helping them test those
 25 apps through our Beta programs, supporting the launch and their

1 | global expansion. So end to end, we spend a lot of time.

- Q. Is there something about the Android platform or Android devices that makes it harder for developers to prioritize the
- 4 Google Play Store?
- 5 **A.** The Android devices, as I said, there is a large breadth
- 6 of Android devices, and so there is -- it's more complicated to
- 7 | build on Android. However, once you find the right way to do
- 8 | it, you have a great business to build.
- 9 Q. And can you just explain for the jury why it's harder for an
- 10 app developer to make a version for the Play Store that will work
- 11 on multiple devices?
- 12 **A.** There is Android devices that are very sophisticated and
- 13 capable and very affordable and less capable, and to build an
- 14 app across all of them takes expertise and effort.
- 15 Q. Now, Ms. Kochikar, you mentioned that sometimes apps will
- 16 | launch first on the Apple App Store before the Google Play Store.
- 17 Are there any recent examples in your mind where that has
- 18 | happened?
- 19 A. Yeah. Many. A few months ago, Clubhouse was a very buzzy
- 20 app for voice communications. It wasn't there on Android.
- 21 | Caused a lot of attention.
- 22 And most recently, if you think about all the AI apps,
- 23 it took us a long time and lot of effort to convince, for
- 24 | example, ChatGPT to come to Android. And we're still working
- on the other AI apps.

- 1 Q. So let's take a look at an exhibit. If you could turn to
- Have you seen this document before, Ms. Kochikar?
- 4 **A.** Yes.

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- 5 Q. What is it?
- 6 A. This is an assessment of app quality gap; that is, when
- 7 | you look at an app that's working on Apple and you look at the
- 8 same app working on Android, what is the gap.
- 9 MS. CHIU: Your Honor, at this time we'd move this
- 10 exhibit into evidence.
- 11 MR. HUESTON: No objection.

Exhibit 5911 in the black binder.

- 12 **THE COURT:** It is admitted.
- 13 (Trial Exhibit 5911 received in
- 14 evidence.)
- 15 BY MS. CHIU:
- 16 Q. I'd like to turn your attention to slide 3. Could you read
- 17 | the title of this slide?
- 18 **A.** The number one thing we have learned in talking to users
- 19 is that they perceive a quality gap between iOS and Android.
- 20 **Q.** And why is this a problem for Google Play?
- 21 | A. Apps are what makes devices useful. And if they find a
- 22 | gap, they will just go to the other platform.
- 23 | Q. So let's look ahead a couple slides to slide 6. And what
- 24 does this slide communicate?
- 25 **A.** It shows how developers think of Android. They will

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- design and build for Apple first, and sort of view this as a 1
- secondary platform and not pay the same attention. 2
- And why is that a problem for Google Play? 3 Q.
- As I described earlier, one, there is gaps in features, 4
- 5 but sometimes even user experience could cause issues for
- folks. 6
- Ms. Kochikar, has Google ever evaluated specific apps and 7 Q.
- how they perform on Android versus on Apple iOS? 8
- Yes, absolutely. We do it constantly. 9 Α.
- So let's look at Exhibit 6044. 10 Q.
- What is the document? 11
- This is a document that takes the user insights and then 12
- 13 go app by app to find out where the gaps are.
- MS. CHIU: Your Honor, at this time we'd move this 14
- 15 into evidence.
- 16 MR. HUESTON: No objection.
- THE COURT: It's admitted. 17
- (Trial Exhibit 6044 received in 18
- evidence.) 19
- BY MS. CHIU: 20
- And, Ms. Kochikar, why is a report like this prepared? 21 Q.
- So that we can identify where the gaps are and then work 22
- 23 with developers to help them fix them.
- Ms. Kochikar, do you believe that competition with Apple 24
- 25 will be a continuing obstacle or challenge for Google Play?

- A. Absolutely.
- 2 Q. Let's look at a document that might help explain that. If
- 3 you could turn to Exhibit 5941, please.
- 4 **A.** Yes.

- 5 Q. Have you seen this document before, Ms. Kochikar?
- 6 **A.** Yes.
- 7 | Q. Do you know who prepared it?
- 8 A. I don't, but it was shared with me by the Android product
- 9 team.
- 10 Q. And why was it shared with you?
- 11 **A.** Because this gives us insights on why developers do what
- 12 | they do and how we can work with them to address.
- 13 | Q. And did you use this information as part of your work for
- 14 Google?
- 15 **A.** Yes.
- 16 **Q.** And how specifically did you do that?
- 17 **A.** We understand the feedback. So, for example, we try to
- 18 understand what apps are missing for this very attractive
- 19 audience and where are the places where they are seeing gaps
- 20 and what we can do to fix the gaps.
- 21 MS. CHIU: Your Honor, at this time we move this
- 22 document into evidence.
- 23 MR. HUESTON: Objection, Your Honor. Foundation and
- 24 | 803 hearsay.
- THE COURT: Okay. Why don't you try a little bit on

1 foundation while I think about the other part.

- 2 BY MS. CHIU:
- 3 Q. Ms. Kochikar, this is a document that was prepared by the
- 4 | Google Android team; is that right?
- 5 **A.** Yes.
- 6 Q. And you received it as part of your normal course of
- 7 | business at Google?
- 8 **A.** Yes.
- 9 Q. And do you regularly review information that evaluates the
- 10 Android platform specifically to do your work in develop --
- 11 | assisting developers?
- 12 **A.** Yes.
- 13 **Q.** And is this one of those documents that you looked at?
- 14 **A.** Yes.
- 15 | Q. And do you regularly receive reports like this to help you
- 16 do your job?
- 17 **A.** Yes.
- MS. CHIU: We'd move --
- 19 **THE COURT:** Well, let me ask you, Ms. Kochikar, who
- 20 | prepared the contents of this document?
- 21 **THE WITNESS:** I believe it was an external agency, but
- 22 | I received it -- we've referenced this document in many
- 23 | internal discussions, Your Honor.
- 24 THE COURT: Okay. But you all didn't put the content
- 25 | into this document; is that right?

KOCHIKAR - CROSS / CHIU 1 THE WITNESS: Yes. THE COURT: What do you plan to ask? 2 It's not for the truth of the matter, Your MS. CHIU: 3 Honor, but just to give some context of the information she 4 5 receives to do her work in competing with Apple, especially specific to comparing the Android and Apple platform. 6 THE COURT: Let's just try a few. 7 So, members of the jury, this is a document that some 8 outside company prepared. So whether the contents of the 9 10 document are true or not, she can't say. Okay? She's just 11 going to talk about how she might have responded to what she All right? But you cannot treat anything in this 12 documents as a true statement. You're just going to be 13 focusing on kind of her reaction and her state of mind about 14 15 it. Okay? 16 All right. Just a few questions. MS. CHIU: Yes. Thank you, Your Honor. 17 18 BY MS. CHIU: Ms. Kochikar, let's look at slide 10. And this slide is 19 titled iPhone Is an Even Bigger Problem Than You Think. 20 Do you see that? 21 Yes. 22 Α. 23

Q. Is there some information on this slide specifically that you found very important to understanding how Android needs to compete with Apple?

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1 A. Yes. There are a set of apps that are being called out.
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- There is the -- a big thing we focused on is Apple is thriving in the resale market and mid-market. We are seeing that being a big issue in emerging markets, as well as some of our bigger
- If you do have a phone that's not an iPhone, you're labeled as poor. We take our user feedback very seriously.

markets, as well as the user sentiment.

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- Q. And why -- were you concerned when you read the information on this page?
- 10 A. This is the kind of perception that makes my job hard
 11 because developers think about this when they're building and
 12 choosing a platform. So now, I can understand and empathize
 13 and figure out how I should work with them.
- Q. So let's just look at one more slide, which is slide number 11. The title is Play Isn't Helping Android.

Do you see that?

- 17 A. Yes. It's hard to see because they're saying I'm not doing a good job.
- 19 **Q.** And how did you react to the information on this slide?
- 20 **A.** We had teams trying to figure out what are the apps and games that Gen Zers care about most and try to find them.
- 22 Q. You can set that document aside.
- THE COURT: That wasn't -- the question was: How did
 you react to it?
 - THE WITNESS: Oh. Yeah. We took it as a call to

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KOCHIKAR - CROSS / CHIU
     action to try to understand what we need to do, what the
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     apps -- I have two roles. One is to find what apps are missing
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     on Play and bring them in; and, two, how to fix the apps on
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     Play to make them better. So this was on both sides.
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              THE COURT: All right. So I'll admit 5941, cover
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     page, page 10 and page 11 only.
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              MS. CHIU:
                         Thank you, Your Honor.
                            (Trial Exhibit 5941, cover page, page 10
 8
                            and page 11 only, received in evidence.)
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     BY MS. CHIU:
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          Ms. Kochikar, have you talked with developers who invest
     Q.
     more in Apple than in Google Play?
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     Α.
          Yes, all the time.
          And how would you describe those discussions?
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          Very cordial, because we are always working with partners,
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     Α.
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     but also very factual, where they tell us why they cannot
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     invest more on Android at the moment.
          And, Ms. Kochikar, what have you done to try and convince
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     0.
     these developers that they should invest more in Google Play?
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          We built a consulting practice to help them lower their
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     decision making, like show them where the business is
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     attractive as well as train them on the technology.
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Okay. Any recross?

I have no further questions at this time,

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MS. CHIU:

THE COURT:

Your Honor.

1 MR. HUESTON: Yes, Your Honor.

Just so you know, we'll break at high noon 2 THE COURT:

for lunch. Okay? 3

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Go ahead.

MR. HUESTON: May I proceed?

THE COURT: Yes.

REDIRECT EXAMINATION

BY MR. HUESTON: 8

- Ms. Kochikar, we heard a lot in your examination about the 9
- competition between Apple and Android. I'd like to briefly talk 10
- 11 to you about that. Okay?
- 12 Α. Yes.
- All right. Now, I think you said customers are making a 13
- choice between iPhone with the iOS operating system and competing 14
- 15 phones with the Android operating system, right?
- 16 Α. Yes.
- 17 But once customers make that choice between the phones and Q.
- operating systems and purchase a phone, you agree that the 18
- 19 customer is not then choosing between the Apple App Store and
- 20 Google Play Store, correct?
- I don't understand the question. 21 Α.
- 22 Well, once -- for instance, a consumer can't use the Google
- 23 Play Store app on an iPhone, right?
- 24 Α. Yes.
- 25 Correct. And likewise, a customer can't use the Apple App Q.

Store on an Android device, right?

2 **A.** Yes.

- 3 Q. All right. So once a customer makes the choice between the
- 4 operating systems, there's no longer any real competition between
- 5 | the Apple App Store and Google Play Store for those consumers,
- 6 right?
- 7 | A. People change their phones constantly, every six months.
- 8 Q. Well, in fact, Google has data showing that once they
- 9 choose, almost no one switches, right?
- 10 A. Not at all. I have -- I would be very surprised. I mean,
- 11 | we have -- we are losing market share. You can just walk on
- 12 | the streets to find that out.
- 13 Q. Your percentages -- instead of walking the streets, you guys
- 14 | have data internally. Have you looked at that data?
- 15 **A.** I don't know what you're referring to, please.
- 16 Q. Then you don't know that your own data shows a range of only
- 17 | from around 4 percent to a maximum of 12 percent actually switch.
- 18 You're not aware of that?
- 19 | A. I think that's a -- you know, if you take --
- 20 **Q.** Are you aware of that? Yes or no?
- 21 A. I'm not aware of that.
- 22 **Q.** Thank you.
- 23 A. But it also --
- 24 Q. That's fine. Let me go on.
- In fact, Ms. Kochikar, with respect to this competitor

- Apple, Google employees have proposed working with this 1
- competitor Apple on significant issues relating to the App 2
- Store, correct? 3
- I don't understand what you're --4
- 5 Sure. Let me help you with that. Let's go to Exhibit 8520 Q.
- in the binder that's just been before you. And if you go to the 6
- last page in the binder, you can confirm you're a custodian on 7
- that document, correct? 8
- Okay. 9 Α.
- Great. And if you go to the last page, you see your name as 10
- 11 a custodian on the document, right?
- 12 Α. Yes.
- 13 MR. HUESTON: Okay. Move to admit Your Honor.
- MS. CHIU: No objections. 14
- 15 THE COURT: It's admitted.
- 16 (Trial Exhibit 8520 received in
- 17 evidence.)
- MR. HUESTON: Let's put it up, please. 18
- BY MR. HUESTON: 19
- 20 Let's go to page 28 of the document. It's up on the screen,
- Ms. Kochikar. Let's look at the section titled Play-Wide Theme, 21
- Play 2022. 22
- 23 Do you see that on the screen?
- 24 Yes. Α.
- Okay. And under the U.S. section, it states in the second 25

- sub bullet point: "How can Play partner with Apple to change the 1
- industry tide around subscriptions and get users accustomed to 2
- paying for services outside of entertainment?" 3
- You see that? Do you see that language? 4
- Yeah. Yes. 5 Α.
- And that language proposing that Google partner --6 Q.
- partner with a company that you're claiming is the biggest 7
- competitor of Google, right? 8
- This is a very junior person adding ideas in a very 9
- brainstormy session. Brook Davis was, like, a very junior 10
- 11 person on my team. I don't even remember this.
- Okay. Well, now you've been refreshed because here it is in 12
- writing in your Google document at that time, right? 13
- It's a brainstorm, one person's idea in -- you 14 Α. Yeah.
- know, in a very long document of what we can do in terms of 15
- 16 strategy.
- 17 Right. But you've described internally at Google everybody Q.
- is just focused on this competitor Apple, right? That's 18
- essentially what you've been saying? 19
- The Android team is very focused on the competition with 20
- Apple. 21
- And here, one of the people is writing here in the document 22
- about partnering with Apple to get folks -- partnering with them 23
- to figure out ways to get folks accustomed to paying for services 24
- outside of entertainment. Partnering with Apple to bring in more 25

- 1 | money. That's the idea here, right?
- 2 A. One, it's one person's idea; and second, it has never
- 3 happened.
- 4 Q. It's a Google person's idea, right?
- 5 **A.** Yes, one young person's idea.
- 6 Q. Okay. Let's go beyond one young person.
- In fact, Ms. Kochikar -- we can put this down -- these supposed competitors, Google and Apple, they actually partner
- 9 together all the time, don't they?
- 10 **A.** Not an Android.
- 11 Q. Well, let's explore it all.
- 12 You're aware that Google pays Apple \$18 billion a year
- to be the default search on iPhones, right?
- 14 A. I suppose.
- 15 Q. Yeah. And, in fact -- so let's -- Google is giving its
- 16 | primary competitor \$18 billion a year. You know it's billions,
- 17 | right? You may not have the exact figure in mind.
- 18 **A.** That is a very different business, right?
- 19 Q. They're competitors -- my question to you, given what we've
- 20 | just reviewed, Google and Apple are more like collaborators than
- 21 | competitors; isn't that right?
- 22 | A. Well, when two companies are large, you can collaborate
- 23 and compete.
- 24 **Q.** Sure.
- 25 | A. We compete on Microsoft with Cloud, and we can collaborate

- with them on LinkedIn on Google Play. These things happen all 1
- the time. 2
- Let's further explore this. 3
- Isn't it true that Android is by far the most popular 4
- 5 mobile gaming platform? Yes or no?
- Not on the high end. 6 A.
- Overall, Android is by far the most popular mobile gaming 7 Q.
- platform, right? 8
- In numbers, not in revenues. 9 Α.
- Okay. Well, let's look at that. 10 Q.
- Let's go to 5653, which you were shown on direct. 11
- It's already admitted. Let's put it up. 12
- 13 Α. Yes.
- And this is -- your counsel went through some of this with 14
- 15 you, right, Lion Force Strategy?
- 16 Let's go to slide 14.
- 17 Yes. Α.
- 18 And by the way, this is something you said you relied on,
- 19 right?
- 20 Α. Yes.
- 21 Q. Okay.
- "Android is by far the most popular mobile 22
- gaming platform by users" --23
- By users, and not revenues. That's what I was pointing 24
- 25 out.

- 1 Q. Right? Let me finish. I know you want to get in, you know,
- 2 some words for the home team, but let me finish, please.
- 3 -- "while Play accounts for an
- 4 overwhelmingly majority of downloads."
- 5 Right?
- 6 **A.** Yes.
- 7 | Q. That's what it says. And it's talking about Android and
- 8 Play, right?
- 9 **A.** Yes.
- 10 Q. Right in the title.
- 11 **A.** Yes.
- 12 Q. Okay. And the slide displays three charts here, right?
- 13 **A.** Yes.
- 14 Q. And the first one shows that Android had, by your own
- 15 writing here, about an 84 percent market share in smartphones as
- 16 of Q1 2018, right?
- 17 **A.** Yes.
- 18 Q. And the blue part, you can see there the blue part of each
- 19 | bar represents Android, right?
- 20 **A.** Yes.
- 21 | Q. And the smaller black part, which relatively gets smaller
- 22 | over time compared to the blue, that's iOS or Apple, right?
- 23 **A.** Yes.
- 24 Q. And now let's look at the second chart. And right here, it
- 25 | says that Play accounts for about 75 percent of all apps and

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games downloads. 1 That was as of 2017, right? 2 Yes. Α. 3 Okay. We can put that down. 4 5 Now, one of the documents your counsel showed you was -- I want to briefly get to it. It's Exhibit 6044. 6 It's already in evidence. Let's put it up. 7 And this is summaries of individual apps, right? 8 Yes. 9 Α. And I just want to put this in perspective, Ms. Kochikar. 10 11 Sorry. You don't actually contend that users are comparing 12 versions of apps available on Android when they have an Android 13 phone, for instance, typically with a version of the app on 14 15 iOS, right? That's not your contention, is it? 16 They give us feedback because their friends or, you know, 17 family can do something else and they can't do. So they give 18 us feedback of what annoys them. They give us feedback about 19 missing features. People talk to each other. 20 Okay. Well, let's -- users are probably not even aware of many of the differences in this document, right? 21 22 When we talk to them, we get very clear, very good feedback. 23 Well, let's look. Let's go, for instance, to slide 87. 24 Q.

And this one is called Pregnancy Tracker, right?

Case 3:21-md-02981-JD Document 838 Filed 12/06/23 Page 128 of 248 KOCHIKAR - REDIRECT / HUESTON you see that? 1 2 A. Yes. And the slide says: 3 Q. "iOS offered a cleaner and more welcoming 4 5 introduction to the app." 6 Right? 7 Yes. Α. And then it says: 8 Q. "Whereas the Android version was more 9 abrupt in its introduction to the app." 10 You see that? 11 Yes. 12 Α. Now, you're not saying a user is making a choice between an 13 Android phone and an Apple phone because one phone has an app 14 15 with a slightly nicer introduction, right? You're not making 16 that contention, are you? 17 Α. No. But it's the collective experience across multiple 18 apps. 19 All right. Let's do one more example. 20 Let's go to slide 105 for Tinder. 21 Yes. Α.

"iOS feels overall more well crafted due

to its delightful moments, clear visual, and

Okay. And this slide says:

smooth transitions."

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Right?

2 **A.** Yes.

- 3 Q. And there were a few discrepancies on default settings and
- 4 permission requests, right?
- 5 **A.** Yes.
- 6 **Q.** And again, you're not saying that users are actually making
- 7 | the decision whether to buy an Android phone or an iPhone based
- 8 on things like smoothness of transition or delightful moments,
- 9 | are you?
- 10 **A.** Software transitions and user experience does make a very
- 11 big difference. That's what software companies live or die by.
- 12 Q. Okay. And your testimony is people are observing this and
- 13 | this is part of the 4 to 10 percent of people who might switch;
- 14 | is that right?
- 15 **A.** Collectively, the user experience has been one of the
- 16 | reasons people switch.
- 17 | Q. Okay. So they're going to see a user experience like this
- 18 and switch from a \$1,500 iPhone to a \$500 Android. That's what
- 19 | they're going to do?
- 20 **A.** The other way around. And go to refurbished phones. So
- 21 | they would go from a \$500 new Android device to a \$500
- 22 | refurbished iOS device which actually provides a great user
- 23 experience.
- 24 Q. Okay. So the competition is refurbished Apple phones, not
- 25 | the new release \$1,500 Apple phones. Is that your testimony?

- 1 **A.** On the high end, absolutely. Apple has more than
- 2 | 80 percent share on the high end.
- 3 | Q. Right. But you're not saying that people are going to see
- 4 | something like this: You know, it's a little more well crafted
- 5 | for delightful moments, so I'm just going to go from my \$500
- 6 Android phone to a \$1,500 iPhone. Right?
- 7 **A.** Users are smart, and they understand what they need.
- 8 Q. Right.
- 9 A. And they will find the right device. And they do. The
- 10 churn is there in the mid end and the high end. On the high
- 11 end, directly; on the mid end, through refurbished, as well as
- 12 | older iOS devices.
- 13 Q. Yeah. They are smart. They're going to consider the amount
- 14 of money they have to spend and the benefit they're going to get,
- 15 right?
- 16 **A.** On the high end, they are similarly priced.
- 17 **Q.** Okay. Let's bring up one more document in this area. You
- 18 | were shown an Exhibit 6390.
- 19 Let's put it up.
- 20 And your counsel walked you through this document,
- 21 right?
- 22 **A.** Yes.
- 23 Q. And one thing counsel didn't point out is the date. Can you
- 24 | read the date into the record?
- 25 **A.** Yes.

- 1 Q. What's the date?
- 2 A. August 24, 2022.
- 3 Q. 2022. And you realize that's -- this document was created
- 4 | two years after this lawsuit was filed, right?
- 5 A. Yeah.
- 6 Q. Yeah. And this is the one where, you know, counsel made a
- 7 | show of having you point out it mentions Apple as the competitor,
- 8 right?
- 9 **A.** This was -- this is -- there are many documents. All our
- 10 | QBRs include figuring out how we think about iOS versus
- 11 | Android. This is just one example.
- 12 Q. Okay. Well, actually, let's look at an example from before
- 13 | the lawsuit was filed.
- Let's go to 8523. And if you can flip -- this is
- entitled Project Banyan; do you see that?
- 16 **A.** Yes.
- 17 MR. HUESTON: Okay. We'd move this into evidence at
- 18 this time.
- 19 MS. CHIU: Your Honor, this is beyond the scope.
- 20 **THE COURT:** Overruled. Any objection to the document?
- 21 MS. CHIU: Your Honor, I don't believe we laid the
- 22 | foundation that Ms. Kochikar has seen this document.
- 23 MR. HUESTON: She's a custodian.
- 24 THE COURT: Why don't you just lay the foundation,
- 25 please.

MR. HUESTON: 1 Sure. BY MR. HUESTON: 2 Let's go to the last page of the document. And please 3 identify yourself as a custodian of this document on that last 4 5 page. 6 A. Yes. 7 Yes? Q. 8 Α. Yes. MR. HUESTON: We move it in at this time, Your Honor. 9 THE COURT: Objection? 10 11 MS. CHIU: No, Your Honor. THE COURT: All right. It's admitted. 12 (Trial Exhibit 8523 received in 13 evidence.) 14 15 MR. HUESTON: Okay. Let's put it up. 16 BY MR. HUESTON: 17 Now, here's a date. It's February 2019, right? Q. 18 Α. Yes. 19 Before the lawsuit was filed, right? You know the lawsuit 20 started in 2020, right? 21 Α. Okay. Okay. And there's the Google Play logo on it, right? 22 23 Α. Yes. Let's go to page 4 of this document. There's a caption 24 25 there at the top. It says -- the title is Existential Question,

right?

- 2 **A.** Yes.
- 3 Q. And existential question, Ms. Kochikar, that means going to
- 4 | the essence of things, right?
- 5 | A. It means the most important question for Play.
- 6 Q. The most important question. Thank you.
- And the question presented is: How do we continue to keep Play as the preeminent distribution platform for Android?
- 9 That's what it says, right?
- 10 A. Just one of the questions, yes.
- 11 **Q.** Well, actually, it's just the only question right here on
- 12 the slide under Existential Question, which you just described as
- 13 | the most important question, right?
- 14 **A.** Yeah.
- 15 Q. Okay. And there is zero mention here of Apple as an
- 16 | existential threat to Google Play on that slide, right?
- 17 **A.** Those are two different questions. Yes
- 18 Q. Not a mention of Apple on this slide Existential Question.
- 19 Just want a clear answer. Correct?
- 20 **A.** On this slide, it isn't saying, yes.
- 21 Q. Right. We can take that down.
- 22 And, in fact, when Google talks about the market in
- 23 internal documents about Google Play, it's referring to just
- 24 the Android Market, right?
- 25 **A.** This is on on Android, which is very different than if you

look at Android documents that talk about iOS competition. 1 Ιf a device is not in hands of people, then it doesn't matter 2 whether -- whatever Play does. 3 Okay. Let's go to Exhibit 1530, which you'll recognize as 4 5 the documents submitted to the Google Business Counsel to approve the Spotify Google Team. Let's just take a look and confirm 6 that. 7 Yes. 8 Α. MR. HUESTON: Yes. Okay. We move it into evidence at 9 this time. 10 MS. CHIU: No objections, Your Honor. 11 THE COURT: It's admitted. 12 (Trial Exhibit 1530 received in 13 evidence.) 14 15 MR. HUESTON: Let's put it up. 16 BY MR. HUESTON: 17 Let's go to page 2 to the section labeled Ask. Q. And the last sentence here states: 18 "The reason we are proposing this bespoke 19 20 deal with Spotify is because of its 21 unprecedented position and bargaining power in the market." 22 You see that? 23 24 Yes. Α. And the term "market" here refers just to Android app 25

- 1 developers, right?
- 2 **A.** Well, in general, I suppose. Like the app ecosystem.
- 3 | Q. I'm sorry. The market refers to Android app developers.
- 4 Yes or no?
- 5 A. Oh, app ecosystem in general, perhaps. I -- you know, I
- 6 don't know how to --
- 7 Q. Let me help you with --
- 8 MR. HUESTON: Your Honor, page 257,
- 9 lines 10 through 12, tab 1.
- 10 **THE COURT:** Yes, that's fine.
- 11 MR. HUESTON: Let's put it up. 257, lines 10
- 12 through 12.
- "Q. The market refers to Android app
- 14 developers?
- 15 "A. Yes."
- 16 BY MR. HUESTON:
- 17 **Q.** That was your testimony, right?
- 18 A. Okay. Looks like that's what I said.
- 19 Q. Okay. I'll take it down.
- 20 And, in fact, Ms. Kochikar, the purpose of initiatives
- 21 like Project Hug was to address issues within the Android
- 22 | system, not Apple or the Apple App Store, correct?
- 23 A. No, not at all.
- 24 Q. Let's pull back up Exhibit 1520, which was previously
- 25 admitted during your exam, and let's go to Adam Gutterman's email

- 1 at the bottom of the first page.
- 2 **A.** Yes.
- 3 Q. And in the last bullet on this page, Mr. Gutterman writes,
- 4 quote, As has been stated prior, developers are making a sensible
- 5 | economic decision by shipping to iOS and then Android in
- 6 | sequence. To help drive simship, Android Eng will continue on
- 7 | mitigating the cost side of the equation as noted above, while
- 8 Play can influence the equation here in two ways.
- 9 You see that?
- 10 **A.** Yes.
- 11 Q. And let's go to your email, your email at the top of the
- 12 | first page. And I'm going to go down to the fourth paragraph in
- 13 | your email, which starts with "The Bear Hug effort."
- 14 **A.** Yes.
- 15 Q. Highlight that. Do you see that?
- 16 **A.** Yes.
- 17 | Q. Okay. And you write, quote:
- 18 The Bear Hug effort is to address
- 19 fragmentation within the Android ecosystem."
- 20 Those are the words that you wrote, right?
- 21 **A.** That is for a very specific set of games.
- 22 Q. Well, hold on.
- 23 **A.** Yes.
- 24 Q. I just ask.
- 25 | THE COURT: Ms. Kochikar, the question is: Are those

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the words you wrote?
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              THE WITNESS: Yes.
              THE COURT: Go ahead.
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                            Thank you. We can put that down.
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              MR. HUESTON:
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     BY MR. HUESTON:
          And what you were doing there is telling Mr. Gutterman that
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     you should not confuse launching first on iOS to be a risk to
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     Android, right?
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          No.
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              MR. HUESTON: Okay. Let's go to your deposition.
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                Your Honor, page 115, lines 5 to 10.
              THE COURT: Okay. Just give the old judge a second
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     here.
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              MR. HUESTON: 115, lines 5 to 10.
              THE COURT: Yes, that's fine.
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              MR. HUESTON: Okay.
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                 "Q.
                      Right. And Mr. Gutterman starts talking
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          about Android versus iOS, and you respond to him
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          saying we should not be contemplating launching first
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          on iOS to be a risk to Android.
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                Do you see that in the second paragraph?"
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                You answered:
                 "A. Yes."
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1 BY MR. HUESTON:

Correct?

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Q.

- 3 A. Yeah, that I see that in the second paragraph.
- 4 Q. Okay. And instead, one of the risks that was presented to
- 5 the Google business council in connection with Project Bear Hug
- 6 | was the risk that other developers would launch titles outside of
- 7 | Google Play on Android, right?
- 8 A. Yes, but the competition with iOS also --
- 9 **Q.** That's a "yes," right?
- 10 **A.** Yes.
- 11 **Q.** Thank you.
- Okay. Now, you testified in response to Google's
- counsel's questions that there were various investments, you
- 14 said, that were made to make sure that Google Play Store is
- 15 safe; is that right?
- 16 A. Play Store --
- 17 **THE COURT:** Oh, new topic, it sounds like?
- 18 MR. HUESTON: New topic.
- 19 **THE COURT:** So let's break for lunch and see you
- 20 | back -- you know what? It's the end of the week. We're making
- 21 good time. So we'll take a five-minute bonus. I'll see you at
- 22 | 12:35. All right?
- Okay.
- 24 THE CLERK: All rise.
- 25 THE COURT: Okay. You may step down. You remain

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under oath. No communications of any sort with anyone or look
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     at any document until you're released from the stand, please.
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                All right. Where is that document?
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              MS. CHIU: I believe my counsel has it.
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              THE COURT: Now, looking back at my transcript, let's
     make sure I've got the right testimony.
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                On the realtime, it looks like it's at 62 -- just one
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       second -- 62:19 to -- 61:21 to 62:24; is that right?
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      numbers on the left-hand side.
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              MR. BORNSTEIN: Unfortunately, I don't have numbers on
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     my iPad Your Honor. Oh, I'm being --
              THE COURT: Just scroll to the left.
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              MR. BORNSTEIN: -- apparently told how to do it.
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              THE COURT: I'm sorry. Left-hand side. Scroll to the
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     left.
           It's 62:19 through about 62:24. Is that right?
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              MR. BORNSTEIN: I don't think we have page and line
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     showing up, Your Honor. Apologize for that.
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              THE COURT: You can't scroll to the left?
                All right. Well here's the question. Question at
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       62:19.
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                 "Q.
                     And why doesn't Google
          pursue exclusivity?
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                      It's bad for the developers and bad for
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Most games are multi player, multi "A. platform today. Developers should have a choice to go to as many places where the users are, and that's how the games usually grow. So that's the testimony you're referring to? MR. BORNSTEIN: That's correct, Your Honor. **THE COURT:** All right. Where is that document? UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Your Honor, we have it on a thumb drive video. THE COURT: Well, hand it to me. I'm going to go look at it. UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: May I approach, Your Honor? What's the timing for that, Mr. Bornstein? THE COURT: MR. BORNSTEIN: I understand it's at approximately the 16-minute mark of the video, 1-6. THE COURT: 16 minute. Okay. What's the context of this? What's happening on this thing? MR. BORNSTEIN: My understanding is, as best we could tell, from Ms. Kochikar is speaking to some of her colleagues about Google about the very document that counsel was examining the witness about in the context of this testimony. THE COURT: Okay. UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Your Honor, if I may, there's There's a redacted and unredacted. You should look two files. at the unredacted, which will include, at the 16-minute mark,

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               THE COURT: All right. Thank you.
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AFTERNOON SESSION

12:42 p.m.

THE COURT: Is the witness still outside?

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Yes, Your Honor.

THE COURT: All right. After reviewing the tape, it seems pretty plain to me that the statements that were made in the tape were rather broad, generic, legal counsel, and not sufficiently directly intentioned with her courtroom that I'm not going to allow it for impeachment. I'm not saying you can't try again with other, similar materials. The attorney-client thing is not the issue. This is not adequate impeachment, so it's not going to be played on that ground.

MR. BORNSTEIN: Understood, Your Honor.

THE COURT: Okay. Let's bring everybody in.

MR. HUESTON: There is one other issue.

THE COURT: Oh, yes.

MR. HUESTON: There is one other issue. With the Spotify testimony of Ms. Kochikar, you'll remember that she --counsel had her very plainly say that the deal was not at all because of agitation. And what I want to do is introduce a document, and the document says specifically the senses will likely not want to trigger Spotify agitation and associated noise with a policy change. And there is a chart summarizing the risk, and it continues to say Spotify agitation likelihood and associated noise, and then exacerbated by EU regulatory

KOCHIKAR - REDIRECT / HUESTON environment. 1 So I think they have -- this is a key document to 2 impeach her. Their own document links the agitation to noise 3 and regulatory. I think I should be able to get into it. 4 5 know there's been a mill in terms of regulatory issues qenerally, but this is --6 THE COURT: Can I just see it? 7 MR. HUESTON: Yeah. This is Exhibit 8 --8 THE COURT: Oh, I already have it? 9 MR. HUESTON: 8526. 10 11 THE COURT: Which binder is this in? The one you just handed me? Oh, I see it. I have it. 12 13 MR. HUESTON: And it's the second email on the page. It's down there in bold. 14 15 THE COURT: What's the Bates number? 16 MR. HUESTON: Bates number Google Play 1032R. 17 THE COURT: Oh, first page. Okay. Where is it now, 18 second --MR. HUESTON: Right down where you see meeting outcome 19 and followups in bold. And then in their own bolded line there 20 21 it says the senses will likely not want to trigger Spotify 22 agitation and associated noise with a policy change.

THE COURT: Okay.

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MR. POMERANTZ: Your Honor, if I could make a suggestion. I mean, the issue here is not that long, I think,

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as Mr. Hueston was suggesting. It's the next line which makes a reference to EU regulatory environment, which is something that is prohibited by the motion in limine. THE COURT: Well, it's also just--MR. POMERANTZ: I think there's a way --**THE COURT:** It's a big sideshow and we don't need it. You can certainly use the Spotify part. Just take out the EU and legislation and regulatory, okay? MR. POMERANTZ: I think, John -- Mr. Hueston, what I would suggest is that if you pull out the sentence that's in bold so the jurors see that, they're not going to see the regulatory reference. MR. HUESTON: Yeah, we can do that or redact that other --THE COURT: Well, after -- I mean, I'll admit it subject to our discussion, and I'll just say that. But then you have to put it in the file with that redacted, okay? MR. POMERANTZ: Thank you, Your Honor. THE COURT: You can show it now. Just blur it or --MR. HUESTON: So, Your Honor, I can get in the full sentence the senses will likely not want to trigger Spotify agitation and associated noise with a policy change, but then not make reference to the rest of this here about likely agitation may be higher, risk of status quo. I think that should stay in. Well, I think that should stay in. This is

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              MR. HUESTON: We're doing that now on the spot okay.
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           Let's take a look. Are you going to show me, show me
     the wonders of your technology? Go ahead.
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              MR. HUESTON: Oh, okay, and then on the second page,
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              THE COURT: Oh, I see.
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              MR. HUESTON: There's two blocks, one is agitation,
     we'll leave that. The other says exacerbated by EU regulatory
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     environment, we'll take that mention out.
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And one other reference back on the 1 MR. POMERANTZ: first page here. 2 (Discussion held off the record.) 3 MR. HUESTON: We're working it out. We're good. 4 5 THE COURT: That seems fine. Just take it out on the second page, the right-hand block, okay? 6 7 All right. So bring the witness and the jury in, please. 8 (Jurors enter courtroom.) 9 (Proceedings were heard in the presence of the jury:) 10 11 THE COURT: All right. Please. MR. HUESTON: Thank you, Your Honor. 12 BY MR. HUESTON: 13 Good afternoon, Ms. Kochikar. 14 Q. 15 Good afternoon. Α. 16 All right. One of the things that counsel talked to you 17 about was that Google Play Store has its -- offers some security 18 benefits or features, right? Yes. 19 Α. Okay. But Google Play has a history of hosting or having 20 its own serious security issues, right? 21 22 Some, but very small compared to what we keep out. Α. Well, let's see how small. 23 ο. You know that Google Play has had a history of hosting 24 malicious apps, right? 25

- 1 **A.** We take them down as soon as we can.
- 2 Q. Okay. But you've had a history of them. Whether you take
- 3 | them down as soon as you can or not, there's been a history of
- 4 | them, right?
- 5 **A.** There have been incidents, but they're very small compared
- 6 to how much we keep out.
- 7 Q. Okay. Well, in 2020, reports indicated, and you know this,
- 8 that 8 percent of all android apps available on the Google Play
- 9 Store were found to be vulnerable to theft by malicious actors;
- 10 | you know that, right?
- 11 **A.** I'm sure there has been written.
- 12 Q. Okay. And then a year later in 2021, Google confirmed that
- 13 | millions of users were affected by malicious apps that originated
- 14 | from the Play Store, right?
- 15 **A.** Oh, probably.
- 16 Q. Yep. And then still later, April of this year, Android
- 17 | Malware named Goldoson infiltrated Google Play through 60 top
- 18 | apps with a hundred million downloads; do you remember that?
- 19 **A.** Probably, yes.
- 20 Q. But despite all of that, Google doesn't show the user a
- 21 | scare screen or a warning before the user opens up Google Play
- 22 | Store, right?
- 23 A. No, we don't.
- 24 Q. Right. And Ms. Kochikar, Google requires, you've testified,
- 25 | that Google requires Google Play Billing in part because of

1 security and other supposed consumer-friendly protections, right?

- 2 **A.** Yes.
- 3 Q. But you agree, and I think you testified, that Google does
- 4 | not require every developer to use Google Play Billing, right?
- 5 A. If they're using digital content that is consumed in the
- 6 app, then yes, otherwise no.
- 7 | Q. Right. In fact, many developers are not required to use
- 8 Google Play Billing, right, both big and small, correct?
- 9 **A.** If it's for physical goods, yes.
- 10 Q. Yes, you've covered physical goods, but there is more than
- 11 | that. Developers who are enrolled in User Choice Billing
- 12 | programs are not required to exclusively use Google Play Billing,
- 13 | right?
- 14 **A.** They're audited.
- 15 **Q.** They are what?
- 16 **A.** They're audited.
- 17 | Q. Audited. But they're not required to exclusively use Google
- 18 | Play Billing, right?
- 19 **A.** Yeah, they -- that's what user choice is.
- 20 **Q.** Okay. And you're aware of something Google offers called
- 21 Developer Only Billing, right?
- 22 **A.** Yes.
- 23 Q. And that means that developers can choose to use only their
- 24 own billing solutions, right?
- 25 A. In the EEA countries.

- 1 Q. Exactly. That's only offered by Google in the European
- 2 | Economic Area countries. That's where Google has chosen to allow
- 3 | it only, right?
- 4 **A.** Yes.
- 5 Q. And developers in just the European Economic Area who are
- 6 enrolled in that program are not required to exclusively use
- 7 | Google Play Billing, right?
- 8 **A.** If they choose to go that way.
- 9 Q. Right. And I think you mentioned developers in South Korea
- 10 | are not required to exclusively use Google Play Billing, right?
- 11 A. They have User Choice Billing.
- 12 Q. And Spotify, even though it offers digital music, does not
- 13 | have to exclusively use Google Play Billing, right?
- 14 A. Yes, that's user choice.
- 15 Q. Yeah. In fact, you testified I think that 90 percent or so
- 16 of developers do not pay any fees and thus do not use Google Play
- 17 | Billing, right?
- 18 **A.** If they're -- for physical goods, yes.
- 19 Q. Well, I think you said -- are you changing the testimony?
- 20 | You said 90 percent overall. Are you just saying 90 percent of
- 21 | people and physical goods?
- 22 | A. No, I mean what they pay for and what they use is two
- 23 different things, but, yes.
- 24 | Q. All right. And so despite Google's supposed security
- 25 | concerns from using non-Google billing, in the end it's only

- 1 requiring a relatively few select apps to use Google Play
- 2 | Billing, right? The vast majority do not use Google Play
- 3 | Billing, correct?
- 4 A. That's our business model.
- 5 Q. Right. Okay. Let's talk a little bit about those scare
- 6 screens.
- 7 You agree that safety concerns are not particularly
- 8 significant when a user is downloading an app from a website
- 9 they know, right?
- 10 **A.** It depends on what else is there.
- 11 | Q. Well, let's probe that a little bit.
- 12 If someone is navigating directly to a developer
- website to download an app, they know what they're getting,
- 14 right?
- 15 A. Yes, I can assume so.
- 16 **Q.** Okay.
- 17 **A.** I can't speak for something.
- 18 Q. Yeah. And so, for example, a user going directly to
- 19 | EpicGames.com, they know who they're getting their app from,
- 20 | right?
- 21 A. I would assume so.
- 22 | Q. And you're not aware of any pirated fake Fortnite apps
- 23 | available on EpicGames.com, right?
- 24 A. I don't know. I haven't spent time.
- 25 Q. You recall testifying, "And there is no --

KOCHIKAR - REDIRECT / HUESTON There is no pirated fake Fortnite apps 1 "Q. available on EpicGames.com, right? 2 "A. No." 3 Does that -- do you remember testifying that way? 4 5 I don't. Α. 6 MR. HUESTON: Okay. Let's go to your deposition, page 250, Your Honor, lines 1 to 5. 7 THE COURT: That's fine. 8 BY MR. HUESTON: 9 10 Okay. Let's put it up. Q. 11 And there is no pirated fake Fortnite apps available on EpicGames.com, right? 12 However, there have been times when 13 "A. No. people have been given links that may look like 14 15 Epic.com and it isn't." 16 That was your testimony, right? 17 That's what it says here. Α. 18 Okay. And you'll agree, Amazon, it's a well-known company, Q. 19 right? 20 Yes. Α. 21 And so is Samsung, right? 22 Α. Yes. And as we've shown with the Google presentation on 23

downloading the Amazon App Store, there were scare screens coming

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up there, right?

- 1 **A.** There were user modifications coming up.
- 2 Q. Right. Supposedly for security issues for Amazon, right?
- 3 **A.** No, just informing them that they are putting unknown
- 4 | sources, because they could keep it open and go to some other
- 5 | website. It wasn't because of Amazon, it was about the setting
- 6 on the device.
- 7 Q. Unknown sources, even though they've gone directly to the
- 8 Amazon site through the demonstrative that Google itself laid out
- 9 and I walked you through, right?
- 10 A. Yes, but it's a device setting that can be opened for
- 11 | anyone else to use.
- 12 Q. And once again, so if you try to get it from a download and
- 13 | sideload from the Amazon App Store scare screens. But, again,
- 14 | if you're trying to get the Google Play Store no scare screen,
- 15 right?
- 16 A. No notifications unless -- the notification is not for the
- 17 | store, but for the toggle, which is unknown sources.
- 18 | Q. And let's go to the Exhibit 5653 that counsel walked you
- 19 | through.
- One of the things that you've testified to is that the
- 21 | service fee that Google charges covers benefits including the
- 22 benefit of discovery, right?
- 23 **A.** Yes.
- 24 Q. Right. And specifically that Play provides for app
- 25 developers the ability to get their app discovered, right?

A. Yes.

- 2 Q. Okay. But isn't it true that for games, Social, Ads and PC,
- 3 | for games the primary forms of discovery come outside of the
- 4 | Google Play Store, right?
- 5 A. People discover in different ways, but Store is an
- 6 important place.
- 7 Q. Okay. Well, let's look at a slide that counsel didn't show
- 8 | you here. Let's go to slide 9.
- 9 Okay. And this title is: With Multiple Trends
- 10 | Happening In Parallel Across The Ecosystem.
- 11 Do you see that?
- 12 **A.** Yes.
- 13 Q. And under Discovery it says, quote, Social, FB -- that's
- 14 Facebook, right?
- 15 **A.** Yes.
- 16 | Q. YouTube, et cetera, Ads, and PC/Console stores are the
- 17 | primary forms of discovery, right?
- 18 A. That's what it says here.
- 19 Q. Okay. Thank you. We can put that aside.
- 20 You also mentioned with counsel -- you made references
- 21 to Samsung, right?
- 22 **A.** Yes.
- 23 Q. And you said that Google Play Store competes with Samsung,
- 24 | right, the Samsung Galaxy App Store, right?
- 25 **A.** Yes.

And, now, Google requires games and digital content apps to

- 2 use Google Play Billing and pay services fees; we've covered that
- 3 repeatedly, right?
- 4 **A.** Yes.

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- 5 | Q. But Samsung, you understand, does not require any app
- 6 developer to pay any service fees if they do not want to use
- 7 | Samsung's payment solutions; you're aware of that, right?
- 8 A. I suppose so.
- 9 Q. Well, you don't know? Samsung is a competitor of Google's,
- 10 | according to your testimony, right?
- 11 **A.** Yes.
- 12 **Q.** Okay.
- 13 **A.** But -- well, it is a competitor. I know that they had
- 14 | announced certain things. I don't know whether it's uniformly
- 15 | applied everywhere.
- 16 | Q. Okay. But just to be clear, you're calling Samsung a real
- 17 | competitor, right?
- 18 A. Yes, I'm saying that we compete for attention, yes.
- 19 Q. Okay. But they're not too much of a competitor, because
- 20 Google has not matched the competition here, in that Samsung has
- 21 | put out by not requiring any app developer to pay any service
- 22 | fees if they do not want to use Samsung's payment solution,
- 23 | right? Google hasn't matched the competition there, right?
- 24 | A. I think we have our business model, and developers choose
- 25 | if they want our store with our business model or Samsung's

store with Samsung's business model. 1 THE COURT: Ms. Kochikar, that was not the question. 2 THE WITNESS: Sorry. 3 So ask the question again, please. 4 THE COURT: I know 5 it's been a long two days. Just take a breath, focus, answer 6 the question. BY MR. HUESTON: 7 Sure. So, again, for games, again, Samsung does not require 8 any app developer to pay any service fees if they do not want to 9 use Samsung's payment solution, and Google, with games, does not 10 11 match that, right? 12 Α. Yes. Okay. And, in fact, Google has not made any changes to its 13 Q. service fee in response to Samsung's policies providing developed 14 15 choice and billing, right? 16 Α. Yes. 17 So let's talk a little bit, you've mentioned it Q. Okay. again, about User Choice Billing. 18 Now, let's put back up, if we can, Trial Exhibit 2698 19 previously admitted, seventh slide. 20 21 And you'll remember we went through this, Ms. Kochikar, and you agreed part of what developers want with 22 23 billing choice is the ability to choose a billing platform with a lower price than 30 percent, right, under the pricing; 24

remember?

A. Yes.

- 2 Q. Okay. There's the complaint, "30 percent is too high,"
- 3 | right? That's what it says on the slide?
- 4 **A.** Yes.
- 5 | Q. And by the way, under Pricing, that's the only complaint
- 6 about pricing, "30 percent is too high," right?
- 7 **A.** Yes.
- 8 Q. Okay. But Google, with its so-called User Choice Billing,
- 9 | made sure that pricing was no reason to switch, right?
- 10 A. Could you say that again, please?
- 11 | Q. Sure. Google made sure that pricing would be no reason to
- 12 | switch here, right?
- 13 **A.** Switch what?
- 14 Q. Well, to switch to an alternative platform.
- 15 **A.** I don't understand the question. I'm sorry.
- 16 Q. Well, let's see if I can help you with that.
- 17 All right. Let's put that down and go to Kochikar
- demonstrative number 11 to refresh your recollection. That was
- 19 also shown. Okay. We can put that up.
- 20 And what I'm comparing is Google Play Billing with the
- 21 alternate payment system of so-called Google User Choice
- 22 | Billing, right? It's up on the screen.
- 23 **A.** Yes.
- 24 | Q. Yeah. And as we went through at some length, if they choose
- 25 | Google Play Billing, their effective rate is going to be

- 1 | 30 percent, right? If it's in-app purchases over a million
- 2 right?
- 3 **A.** Yes.
- 4 Q. And if they take the alternate, the so-called choice, on
- 5 average it's going to have the same effective rate of 30 percent,
- 6 | right?
- 7 **A.** Yes.
- 8 Q. Okay. And so either so-called choice leads to the same
- 9 effective rate of 30 percent, right?
- 10 **A.** Yes, because we provide all the other services.
- 11 Q. Yes, okay. And for those developers who care about price as
- 12 | their most important thing, that's no real choice, right?
- 13 **A.** We chained the price for all the apps.
- 14 Q. With 30 percent effective rates, either side, if a developer
- 15 | is focused on price, there's no real choice here, right?
- 16 **A.** For one category, one business model.
- 17 Q. Okay. Thank you. We can take that down.
- Now, you testified about Spotify, and I believe you
- 19 said that the deal you came up with Spotify, it wasn't because
- of agitation, right?
- 21 **A.** We focused on the value on the platform.
- 22 **Q.** Nothing to do with agitation, right?
- 23 **A.** No.
- 24 Q. No? Okay. So let's take a look at Exhibit 1530. Let's go
- 25 | through some of the reasons. Let's turn to your binder, please,

KOCHIKAR - REDIRECT / HUESTON and look at Exhibit 1530. 1 And you're -- under Representatives, your name is 2 there, do you see it on the first page, "Kochikar?" 3 Α. Yes. 4 5 MR. HUESTON: Okay. We move it in at this time. THE CLERK: It's already in evidence. 6 7 MR. HUESTON: It's already in evidence. Excellent. BY MR. HUESTON: 8 Okay. Let's flip to page 2, the section called Ask; do you 9 Q. see that? 10 11 Α. Yes. And it explains the proposed deal with Spotify right there, 12 13 right? 14 Α. Yes. 15 And we talked about this earlier. It offers users a choice 16 to either pay for their subscription via Spotify's own billing 17 channels or via Google Play Billing, right? 18 Α. Yes. And it says, "The reason we are proposing this bespoke deal 19 20 with Spotify is because of its unprecedented position and 21 bargaining power in the market, and we had to offer a creative 22 solution to bring their full value to the Play ecosystem, " right? 23 Yes, it shows the compete. Α.

Okay. And let's go to page 3 of this document to the

section called Financial Summary.

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- 1 Do you see that?
- 2 **A.** Yes.
- 3 | Q. And it says, quote, revenues from this deal will not cover
- 4 | all of the costs Play will incur to support Spotify subscribers
- 5 on Google Play Billing, right?
- 6 **A.** Yes.
- 7 | Q. And separately, isn't it true that Google was afraid to
- 8 trigger Spotify's agitation?
- 9 **A.** That's not what it says here.
- 10 Q. That's not -- well, let's go to Exhibit 8526, and just take
- 11 | a look at that in your binder and tell me you see your name in
- 12 | the first email there.
- 13 **A.** Yes.
- 14 MR. HUESTON: Okay. We'd move Exhibit 8526 into
- 15 | evidence at this time.
- MS. CHIU: No objections.
- 17 **THE COURT:** It's admitted.
- 18 (Trial Exhibit 8526 received in
- 19 evidence.)
- 20 BY MR. HUESTON:
- 21 | Q. Okay. Let's put it up.
- Now we're going to go to the second email on this
- 23 page, which is from Sameer Sayigh, correct?
- 24 **A.** Yes.
- 25 | Q. And the subject: Meeting Summary Play Payment Policy.

Right?

2 **A.** Yes.

- 3 | Q. And if we look at the first bullet down he writes: "Even
- 4 | though we'll have a defensible plan that achieves goals and made
- 5 | progress with many developers impacted, the sense is we'll likely
- 6 | not want to trigger Spotify agitation and associated noise with a
- 7 | policy change."
- 8 That's what he wrote, right?
- 9 **A.** That's what he's written.
- 10 Q. That's specifically the word that this Google employee used,
- 11 | "agitation," right?
- 12 **A.** Yes.
- 13 Q. And he goes on to explain: "I.e., the risk of likely
- 14 | Spotify agitation may be higher than the harder-to-gauge risk of
- 15 status quo."
- 16 Right?
- 17 **A.** Yes.
- 18 Q. Okay. And then if we continue, if we look below, there's
- 19 | actually a chart summarizing risks, right? There it is up on
- 20 your screen.
- 21 A. Yes, I can see it.
- 22 **Q.** And right under "Option" all the way to the right, "Key
- 23 | Risk."
- Do you see that?
- 25 **A.** Yes.

- 1 Q. And I want you to read the only thing there under Key Risk
- 2 in that box. Read it into the record.
- 3 A. It says, "Google triggers (1) Spotify agitation likelihood
- 4 and associated noise."
- 5 Q. Thank you. We can put that down.
- 6 All right. I want to go back to another exhibit that
- 7 you were shown in your exam with counsel, Exhibit 5714. Let's
- 8 put that up.
- 9 And specifically on page 5 you testified about this
- 10 gray block at the bottom, this thing written here about
- 11 "non-goals?"
- 12 **A.** Oh, yes.
- 13 Q. Stop launch and other android stores, right? Do you see
- 14 that?
- 15 **A.** Yes.
- 16 Q. And, Ms. Kochikar, this is the only document we've seen in
- 17 | all day with something called "non-goals" in the document, right?
- 18 **A.** That's the definition of the program.
- 19 Q. Okay. Well, I'm just asking you --
- 20 **A.** Yes.
- 21 Q. There's been no other document shown that says "non-goals,"
- 22 right?
- 23 **A.** Yes.
- 24 **Q.** Okay. I want to put this in perspective here.
- I want to look at the first page and get the date.

- It's dated June 19th, 2019, right? 1
- 2 Α. Yes.
- And I want to review a document before and after this 3 Q.
- document, all right? 4
- 5 A. Okay.
- So let's start with Exhibit 8522, which is in your binder. 6 Q.
- And if you look at the last page of the document you'll see 7
- yourself as a custodian, right? 8
- Yes. 9 Α.
- MR. HUESTON: Okay. We'd move 8522 into evidence at 10
- this time, Your Honor. 11
- MS. CHIU: No objections. 12
- THE COURT: It's admitted. 13
- (Trial Exhibit 8522 received in 14
- 15 evidence.)
- 16 BY MR. HUESTON:
- 17 Let's put it up, and let's go to the second page. Q.
- 18 Α. Yes.
- Now, this presentation is dated March 2019, and it is about 19
- 20 Project Hug, right?
- 21 It is a component. Α.
- Okay. It says in the front title there "Project Hug," 22
- 23 right?
- 24 Α. Yes.
- 25 Q. Okay.

- 1 | A. But this is just the Cloud component of the program.
- 2 Q. All right. Well, let's go to page 6, and this has the,
- 3 | quote, expanded program goals and lists 1 as prioritize Play plus
- 4 | Android, correct?
- 5 **A.** Yes.
- 6 Q. So it's a list of expanded program goals. There's nothing
- 7 on this slide that says, "Oh, by the way, here are the
- 8 non-goals, " right?
- 9 **A.** No.
- 10 Q. Right. Let's go to the next slide, and let's look at the
- 11 | bottom right-hand box labeled Increasing Distribution
- 12 Competition.
- Do you see that we're popping it out; do you see that?
- 14 **A.** Yes.
- 15 Q. And this specifically mentions, quote, 3P. That's
- 16 | third-party platform stores, right?
- 17 **A.** Yes.
- 18 Q. For example, Amazon and OEM stores?
- 19 **A.** Yes.
- 20 Q. And developers exploring 1P solutions, for example, Epic,
- 21 right?
- 22 **A.** Yes.
- 23 Q. Amazon and Epic are both third parties who have or were
- 24 | exploring offering app stores on Android, right?
- 25 **A.** Yes.

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          And there's no mention here of Apple, right?
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               "Store rivals aggressively competing for game dev
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     attention exclusive content; for example, Epic Store only taking
     12 percent rev share versus Play's 30 percent. Many devs
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     evaluating other distribution options, " right?
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          Yes.
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     Α.
          And the "aggressively competing" there, that's referring to
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     Q.
     Android, right?
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          Yes.
          No mention of Apple, right?
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          Not here.
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     Α.
          Okay. Let's just quickly go to 8519 after the other
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     presentation that counsel showed you. Let's go to that quickly,
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                And if you could identify you're listed as a custodian
      of that document on the last page.
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          Yes.
              MR. HUESTON: Okay. We move to admit 8519.
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              MS. CHIU: No objections.
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              THE COURT: It's admitted.
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                                   (Trial Exhibit 8519 received in
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BY MR. HUESTON:

- 2 Q. Okay. Putting it up here. This is January 2020, later than
- 3 that other document that mentioned non-goal, right?
- 4 **A.** Yes.

- 5 | Q. And the subtitle is: Increase the value of Play to Android
- 6 developers, right?
- 7 **A.** Yes.
- 8 Q. Let's go to page 6. And you'll recognize this again has the
- 9 same language we reviewed earlier about increasing distribution
- 10 | competition from third-party platform stores and OEM stores,
- 11 | right?
- 12 **A.** Yes.
- 13 **Q.** And we can see the same language about developer churn risk
- 14 | that developers will stop distributing on Play, right?
- 15 **A.** Yes.
- 16 **Q.** Nothing about a non-goal mentioned here, right?
- 17 **A.** Yes.
- 18 Q. Okay. So despite showing -- counsel showing you one
- 19 presentation where Google mentioned a non-goal, we have seen
- 20 presentation and emails, one after another, showing that Google
- 21 | wanted to limit competing App Store competition through Project
- 22 Hug, correct?
- 23 **A.** Oh, I don't think that's the right characterization.
- 24 **Q.** And what we are still lacking today are your chat messages
- 25 | that you kept on a 24-hour delete during this period of time,

Case 3:21-md-02981-JD Document 838 Filed 12/06/23 Page 166 of 248 KOCHIKAR - RECROSS / CHIU right? 1 Oh, yes, I don't know what to say --2 MR. HUESTON: Okay. Great. Pass the witness. 3 I'm sorry, would you ask that question 4 THE COURT: 5 again, please? BY MR. HUESTON: 6 Ms. Kochikar, what we still don't have today are your 7 Q. Sure. chat messages during this entire period of time, because you had 8 the setting set for effectively deletion after 24 hours, right? 9 I had the default setting, yes. 10 Α. 11 MR. HUESTON: All right. Thank you. Pass the witness. 12 Okay. Very brief redirect. 13 THE COURT: 14 CROSS-EXAMINATION 15 BY MS. CHIU: 16 Ms. Kochikar, I just have a few questions for you. 17 Just before the break counsel asked you about some numbers that he represented were the percentage of people who 18 switch from Android to Apple; do you remember that? 19 Yes. 20 Α. Did those numbers sound familiar to you? 21 Α. No. 22

Now, even assuming that those numbers were correct, I

believe you said something like 4 to 12 percent; do you remember

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that?

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- 1 **A.** Yes.
- 2 | Q. Would it be a concern to you if 12 percent of Android users
- 3 | switched to Apple?
- 4 **A.** Yes.
- 5 Q. Is that a significant amount?
- 6 **A.** Yes.
- 7 MS. CHIU: Nothing further, Your Honor.
- 8 THE COURT: Okay. You may step down. Be careful on
- 9 | the way down.
- 10 And who do we have next?
- MR. BORNSTEIN: Your Honor, Epic calls Emily Garber to
- 12 | the stand.
- 13 **THE CLERK:** Please stand and raise your right hand.
- 14 EMILY GARBER,
- 15 called as a witness for the PLAINTIFFS, having been duly sworn,
- 16 | testified as follows:
- 17 **THE WITNESS:** Yes, I so affirm.
- 18 **THE CLERK:** Please be seated.
- 19 Please state your name for the Court and spell your
- 20 last name.
- 21 **THE WITNESS:** My name is Emily Garber, spelled
- 22 G-A-R-B-E-R.
- THE CLERK: Thank you.
- 24 MR. BORNSTEIN: May I proceed, Your Honor? Thank you.
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DIRECT EXAMINATION

2 BY MR. BORNSTEIN:

- 3 **Q.** Ms. Garber, good afternoon.
- 4 A. Good afternoon.
- 5 **Q.** You are a lawyer; am I right?
- 6 A. Yes, that's right.
- 7 | Q. And you are a lawyer who works at Google?
- 8 **A.** Yes.
- 9 **Q.** You're a Google employee?
- 10 **A.** Yes.
- 11 Q. And you've been at Google for a little over 9 years now; is
- 12 | that correct?
- 13 **A.** Yes, that's right.
- 14 Q. And your responsibilities include managing something called
- 15 | the Ads Policy Product Counsel Team; is that right?
- 16 **A.** Yes, that's right.
- 17 | Q. And as an attorney you are generally familiar with the
- 18 | concept of attorney-client privilege; am I right about that?
- 19 **A.** I'm generally familiar, yes.
- 20 Q. All right. So attorney-client privilege is a legal concept
- 21 | that protects confidential communications that clients have with
- 22 | their lawyers about requesting legal advice and receiving legal
- 23 | advice; is that fair?
- 24 **A.** I think that's generally correct.
- 25 | Q. And when a communication is privileged, it is protected from

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- being disclosed to the other side in a lawsuit like this one, 1
- right? 2

- In some circumstances. Α.
- In almost all circumstances, right, a privileged 4
- communication is supposed to be kept secret within the company 5
- and not disclosed in litigation, right? 6
- I don't think that's always true, but sometimes. 7 Α.
- Okay. I'm not asking about sometimes. My question, 8
- Ms. Garber: It's almost always the case that privileged 9
- communications are supposed to be kept secret and not disclosed 10
- 11 to the other side in litigation; fair?
- No, that's not my understanding. 12 Α.
- It's your understanding that these documents are just freely 13 0.
- shared in litigation? 14
- 15 In some circumstances they're shared. Α.
- 16 Okay. Just so the record is clear, your view as a lawyer is
- 17 that privileged communications are not typically withheld in
- 18 litigation; is that your testimony under oath?
- No, I didn't say typically. I think it depends on the 19
- circumstances. 20
- Okay. So would you please answer the question, Ms. Garber? 21 Q.
- Typically, privileged communications are withheld from 22
- 23 sharing with the other side in litigation, correct?
- In United States litigation normally. 24
- I need you to get a little closer to that 25 THE COURT:

1 microphone, please.

- 2 **THE WITNESS:** Sorry.
- 3 THE COURT: Or you can pull it towards you.
- 4 All right. Go ahead.

5 BY MR. BORNSTEIN:

- 6 Q. I'm sorry, could you repeat the answer to the question?
- 7 | A. I think typically in typical United States litigation.
- 8 Q. Fair. Thank you.
- Now, will you agree with me that a document doesn't
- 10 become privileged just because one of the recipients is a
- 11 lawyer, yes?
- 12 A. Yes, I agree.
- 13 Q. As a lawyer you can be part of communications that are not
- 14 | privileged, correct?
- 15 A. Yes, that's true.
- 16 | Q. And just labeling a document "privileged" also doesn't make
- 17 | the document actually privileged, correct?
- 18 A. Yes, I agree.
- 19 Q. Right. Like if you have a pint of vanilla ice cream and you
- 20 | put a label on it that says "chocolate," it doesn't actually make
- 21 | the ice cream vanilla; fair?
- 22 A. I think that's true.
- 23 | Q. Right. The label is just wrong; correct?
- 24 A. I think that's right.
- 25 Q. All right. So privilege depends on the content of the

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- 1 document rather than the label that somebody puts on it, right?
- 2 **A.** It does depend on more than the label.
- 3 Q. Right. It depends on the content, correct, as well as the
- 4 | fact that a lawyer is involved?
- 5 **A.** And the circumstances of the generation, yeah.
- 6 Q. Very good. Now, you, at Google, you have a colleague named
- 7 | Tristan Ostrowski; is that right?
- 8 A. Yes, that's right.
- 9 Q. And Mr. Ostrowski is also a lawyer?
- 10 A. Yes, that's right.
- 11 Q. And his responsibilities include supporting the Google Play
- 12 | Store business; is that right?
- 13 **A.** Yes, that's right.
- 14 Q. And you and Mr. Ostrowski have, during your time at Google,
- 15 regularly communicated with one another as part of your job,
- 16 | right?
- 17 **A.** Yes, that's true.
- 18 Q. Okay. Now, you should have a binder in front of you there,
- 19 and I would like you, please, to turn to Exhibit 6487 in the
- 20 | binder. There should be a tab that helps you find it.
- 21 A. Okay. I think I have it.
- 22 | Q. Great. And this is a Google Chat communication that you had
- 23 | with Mr. Ostrowski in January of 2021; is that correct?
- 24 A. Yes, that looks right.
- MR. BORNSTEIN: Your Honor, I move the admission of

GARBER - DIRECT / BORNSTEIN Exhibit 6487, please. 1 MS. CHIU: Your Honor, we don't have objections. 2 just have -- I just wanted to confirm we have an agreement only 3 certain portions of this document will be shown to the jury. 4 MR. BORNSTEIN: Correct. 5 MS. CHIU: No objections. 6 7 THE COURT: You know which portions? MR. BORNSTEIN: We have discussed in advance, Your 8 Honor. Yes, we have. 9 THE COURT: Admitted on that basis. Go ahead. 10 (Trial Exhibit 6487 received in 11 evidence.) 12 BY MR. BORNSTEIN: 13 Thank you. Now, Ms. Garber, we have this chat to look at 14 Q. because either you or Mr. Ostrowski had your history set to "on" 15 16 while this conversation was happening, right? That's correct, for this chat, yes. 17 Α. Right. Or at least the portions of the chat that we have, 18 right? 19 20 Α. Yes. Okay. And we've heard a lot of discussion about chat in the 21 Q. courtroom, so I'm going to spare people, but just one or two 22 23 questions.

Google Chat is a communication method where you can

have substantive business communications with your colleagues,

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correct?

- 2 A. Yes, you could have any type of communications.
- 3 | Q. Right. And you, in fact, do have substantive business
- 4 | communications with your colleagues over Google Chat, right?
- 5 **A.** Yes.
- 6 Q. That said, Google Chat is a forum where people tend to be
- 7 | more candid and informal in their communications, correct?
- 8 A. I would say informal, but not necessarily more candid.
- 9 Q. Well, you say things in chat that you may not feel
- 10 | comfortable putting in an email, correct?
- 11 **A.** No, that's not really my understanding.
- 12 | Q. All right. Well, let's take a look at this chat then,
- 13 Ms. Garber.
- Can we have that published, please? I want to look at
- 15 page 12. Thank you.
- And I want to just clear out one administrative thing
- 17 | first. Do you see, we have on the screen there's a chat from
- 18 you that ends with something that has a bunch of funny
- 19 characters in it, an ampersand, a hatch sign, a 39, and a
- 20 semicolon; do you see that?
- 21 **A.** Yes.
- 22 | Q. Okay. Do you understand that's just kind of supposed to be
- 23 | an apostrophe, and what you were saying there is "Let's get
- 24 | Jonathan to dial in?"
- 25 **A.** Yes, I think that's right.

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- 1 Q. Okay. It comes up this way all through the document, and I
- 2 want to be sure we're reading it and understanding it the same
- 3 way, so I appreciate that.
- So let's take a look, if we can, at the next chat
- down, which is also from you that says, "Ads team is freaking
- 6 out about some Play VP escalation."
- 7 Do you see that?
- 8 **A.** Yes.
- 9 Q. Okay. And the ads team refers to your area of the business,
- 10 | correct?
- 11 A. Yes, that's right.
- 12 Q. And "Play" refers to the Google Play Store, right?
- 13 A. Yes, I think so.
- 14 Q. And Play VP means someone who has a vice-president title
- 15 | within the Play organization, correct?
- 16 A. Yes, I think that's right.
- 17 | Q. And you were writing this to Mr. Ostrowski because he had
- 18 | responsibilities in connection with the Play Store, and you
- 19 | wanted to connect with him on this issue, correct?
- 20 A. Yes, that's right.
- 21 Q. And this idea of escalation that you referenced, that means
- 22 | that somebody was bringing some issue or disagreement or
- 23 | discussion further up the chain for discussion, correct?
- 24 A. Yes, that's right.
- 25 Q. And you ask Mr. Ostrowski if he wants to discuss this issue

1 | with you, right?

- 2 **A.** Yes.
- 3 | Q. And so if we can go a little further down in the chat,
- 4 Mr. Ostrowski responds and he says, "Oh, yeah, I can discuss.
- 5 What is it?" He asks you, right?
- 6 **A.** Right. Yes.
- 7 | Q. And you say in response, even further down: "I haven't been
- 8 | fully looped in either, " right?
- 9 **A.** Right. Yes.
- 10 Q. Okay. So at this point in time you were not really terribly
- 11 aware of what the issue was that you had raised with
- 12 Mr. Ostrowski to discuss, correct?
- 13 **A.** Yeah, I was somewhat aware, but I think not fully aware.
- 14 Q. Okay. So let's go to the next page, and on the next page of
- 15 the document you say to Mr. Ostrowski, "so far as I can read it."
- 16 | And then you proceed to explain what the issue was, right?
- 17 **A.** Yes.
- 18 | Q. Okay. And you say, "so far as I can read it," because you
- 19 were working off of an email that you had been sent without any
- 20 other context about this issue, correct?
- 21 A. I, I don't remember fully, but I don't think I had much
- 22 other context, if any.
- 23 Q. Okay. And you go on to describe the issue. And in the next
- 24 | chat you say that you understood that it related to prohibiting
- 25 | ads leading to non-Play downloads with a couple of exclamation

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2 Do you see that?

- 3 **A.** Yes.
- 4 Q. All right. But then it seems that Play and Ads, as you put
- 5 | it, settled for some reasonable intermediate policy, right?
- 6 **A.** That's right.
- 7 Q. And I want to drop down then to the bottom or near the
- 8 | bottom of this page where you say despite that settlement, so to
- 9 speak, apparently Play was escalating again because they were mad
- 10 | about some things, correct?
- 11 **A.** Yes, that looks right.
- 12 Q. And, again, you say "apparently" because you still -- you
- 13 didn't know a tremendous amount about what was going on, and you
- 14 | had just received this one email about it, right?
- 15 A. Yes, I think that's right.
- 16 **Q.** And you had not, at this point in time, been consulted for
- 17 | legal advice on this question, correct?
- 18 **A.** I can't remember whether or not that's true.
- 19 Q. Okay. Well, let's see if I can refresh you by continuing to
- 20 | go down the document a bit.
- 21 The way that you described at the time the way you had
- been informed about this is that you had been looped in for
- 23 | "fake privilege," correct?
- 24 A. Yes, I see I wrote that.
- 25 | Q. Okay. And what you understood at the time or your belief at

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     the time was that someone had included you on the email because
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     that person knew you were a lawyer, and they believed that
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     including you would make it more likely that the email would be
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     considered privileged, correct?
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          I, I think they had a misapprehension about the rules of
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     privilege.
          Understood. But your understanding was that this individual
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     who had copied you had a misapprehension about the rules, but
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     copied you for the reasons that I just stated, correct?
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          I wasn't sure what the intentions of the person adding me
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     was.
          Okay. But you understood that this was a document in which
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     you were copied not for a request for legal advice, but in order
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     to try to establish what you referred to as fake privilege,
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     correct?
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          I, I originally wasn't clear on what the request for legal
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     advice was in that email, although when I looked at it more
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     closely I saw there was a --
              THE COURT: Okay. Ms. Garber, that's not the
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     question.
              THE WITNESS: Oh, sorry. Maybe I misunderstood the
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     question.
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              THE COURT:
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Please listen carefully and answer the question that's

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BY MR. BORNSTEIN:

- 2 Q. You believed at the time that you had been copied on this
- 3 communication because somebody had a misapprehension about the
- 4 | way privilege worked, correct?
- 5 **A.** Yes, that was my initial understanding.
- 6 Q. And you referred to that situation, to your colleague
- 7 Mr. Ostrowski, as an instance of fake privilege, correct?
- 8 A. Yes, I did.
- 9 Q. And at this point in time you were not even aware of the
- 10 | meeting that had happened that led to the issue that was
- 11 | discussed in this email, right?
- 12 **A.** I don't remember what I was previously aware of.
- 13 Q. Well, you say just at the bottom, "So seems like there was a
- 14 | VP meeting yesterday, " question mark, right?
- 15 **A.** Yes.
- 16 Q. So you were, again, you were intuiting that from this email
- 17 | that you had just been looped in on for fake privilege, correct?
- 18 A. I don't recall where I learned about the VP meeting.
- 19 Q. All right. Well, Mr. Ostrowski, let's focus on his response
- 20 to your email.
- He doesn't say gosh, what do you mean by "fake
- 22 privilege, correct?
- 23 **A.** I don't see him saying that.
- 24 Q. And he doesn't express any confusion whatsoever about what
- 25 | you meant, right?

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- 1 A. No, I don't see anywhere where he expresses confusion.
- 2 Q. Right. And you didn't feel the need to explain to him what
- 3 you meant, right? You don't say that anywhere, correct?
- 4 A. No, that seems correct.
- 5 Q. Right. Because you understood that Mr. Ostrowski, in the
- 6 Play store business, knew full well what fake privilege was,
- 7 | correct?
- 8 A. I don't think that was my meaning.
- 9 Q. Well, it was a perfectly well understood concept what fake
- 10 | privilege was, so well understood that you were able to use the
- 11 | term without any explanation to your colleague, and he had no
- 12 | question in response to you about what it meant; fair?
- 13 **A.** No, I don't think that's a fair interpretation.
- 14 Q. Okay. There are --
- 15 **THE COURT:** Ms. Garber, why did you say "fake
- 16 | privilege" in that chat?
- 17 **THE WITNESS:** Well, I certainly regret the wording
- 18 | that I used. I was using --
- 19 **THE COURT:** You sure -- okay. Why did you say -- when
- 20 you wrote this, why did you say "fake privilege?"
- 21 **THE WITNESS:** I meant that I believed privilege had
- 22 | been incorrectly applied by the clients. What I meant was a
- 23 | mistaken use of privilege.
- 24 | THE COURT: You used the word "fake" rather than
- 25 "mistaken?"

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- 1 THE WITNESS: Yes, due to the casual nature of the
- 2 | conversation.
- 3 **THE COURT:** Go ahead.
- 4 BY MR. BORNSTEIN:
- 5 Q. So we can agree chats are indeed more casual conversations,
- 6 | correct?
- 7 **A.** In many cases they can be.
- 8 Q. But this phenomenon of fake privilege that we've been
- 9 looking at, this was not a one-time event, correct?
- 10 **A.** I'm not sure what you mean by that.
- 11 | Q. I mean, you used the words "fake privilege" to describe this
- 12 | situation in other instances, not just in this one chat; am I
- 13 | right?
- 14 A. I've used those words in other contexts. I don't know if
- 15 I was describing the same thing.
- 16 Q. Sure. Well, why don't we take a look at Exhibit 6488.
- 17 | That, too, is in your binder.
- 18 **A.** Okay.
- 19 Q. Great. And this, too, is a chat between you and
- 20 Mr. Ostrowski, correct? Same person?
- 21 **A.** Yes, that's right.
- 22 | Q. And this chat is dated March 17, 2022, right?
- 23 **A.** Yes.
- 24 | Q. So that's a little over a year after the chat that we were
- 25 | just looking at, correct?

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MR. BORNSTEIN: Your Honor, I'd move the admission of Exhibit 6488, please.

MS. CHIU: No objections, pending --

THE COURT: Admitted.

(Trial Exhibit 6488 received in evidence.)

BY MR. BORNSTEIN:

- Q. Now, in this chat, you and Mr. Ostrowski are joking around; is that correct? I'm going to ask you -- sorry. Let me ask you to look at page 48 of the chat. And we can put that on the screen, please.
- And if it helps you for context, you can maybe start reading at 47, but I'm going to ask you about page 48,
- 15 Ms. Garber. And my question is just you and Mr. Ostrowski are
 16 kind of joking around and being friendly with one another here?
 - **A.** Yes, I think that's right.
- 18 Q. Okay. And you're joking about things like the early morning
- 19 meetings and the kind of work-from-home situation during the
- 20 pandemic; is that right?
- 21 **A.** Yes, I see us joking about morning meetings.
- 22 Q. And if we go up a little bit, the second chat in the -- on
- 23 this page, you say, "I feel like everyone just in 9 hours of
- 24 | meetings a day straight." Yes?
- 25 **A.** Yes.

- 1 Q. I know the feeling. This was a complaint about your
- 2 workload; fair?
- 3 **A.** Yes.
- 4 Q. A good-natured complaint, I acknowledge, but a complaint
- 5 | about your workload?
- 6 A. Yes, a complaint about the amount of meetings we had.
 - Q. Yes, like I said, I sympathize.
- 8 A little further down you say, "At least ARRIS,
- 9 A-R-R-I-S, going to take a lot of work off our plate."
- 10 Do you see that?
- 11 **A.** Yes.

- 12 Q. And ARRIS is a group within Google's legal department,
- 13 | correct?
- 14 A. I think it sits outside the legal department, but it's a
- 15 | team of lawyers.
- 16 **Q.** Okay. And they have responsibilities for certain types of
- 17 | things that are within their purview, correct?
- 18 A. Yes, that's right.
- 19 **Q.** And you make a joke a little further down. You say,
- 20 | "They'll do all the counseling, and we'll be on the beach playing
- 21 | bocce, "right?
- 22 **A.** Yes.
- 23 Q. And Mr. Ostrowski, he understands that this is a joke. He
- 24 | responds to you a little further down: "Oh, yeah, they'll do all
- 25 | the hard parts."

1 Right?

- 2 A. Right.
- 3 Q. Right. So meaning the hard parts of the job or the work
- 4 | that they were going to relieve you of doing, this ARRIS group,
- 5 | right?
- 6 A. Yes, I think that was the substance of the joke.
- 7 | Q. Right. And then you respond: "Yeah, like the fake
- 8 privilege. " Correct?
- 9 **A.** That's right.
- 10 Q. And this was sarcasm, yes?
- 11 **A.** Yes.
- 12 Q. Okay. But you understood that the ARRIS team was not
- 13 | actually taking over the hard parts of your job, right?
- 14 A. Sorry. I'm not totally sure I understand the question.
- 15 Q. Sure. I'll back up a little bit.
- 16 You and Mr. Ostrowski did not think very highly of the
- 17 ARRIS team; is that fair?
- 18 A. I don't know if we had a general opinion.
- 19 Q. Okay. Well, Mr. Ostrowski says to you, right under the
- 20 | "fake privilege" chat, he says, "definitely not poorly duplicate
- 21 | work and take credit after auditing and indicting."
- 22 Do you see that?
- 23 **A.** Yes.
- 24 Q. Okay. That's an unflattering comment he's making about the
- 25 ARRIS team; is that fair?

- 1 A. I think that's fair.
- 2 Q. Okay. And you respond: "Ha ha, oh my God, that whole thing
- 3 insane." Right?
- 4 A. It looks like I said that in response to something that's
- 5 been redacted.
- 6 Q. Yes, indeed, I agree, something has been redacted.
- 7 But you say "Ha ha, oh my God, that whole thing
- 8 insane." Correct?
- 9 **A.** Yes.
- 10 Q. All right. So you were at least expressing support or
- 11 | sympathy for Mr. Ostrowski's view about the ARRIS team, correct?
- 12 A. I'm not sure if my statement was in response because I'm
- 13 | not sure what's missing.
- 14 Q. All right. Well, let me back up then.
- Am I right that you did not hold the view that ARRIS
- 16 | was going to be taking over the hard parts of your job?
- 17 **A.** Not fully.
- 18 | Q. Okay. And you did not consider the "fake privilege"
- 19 communications to be a terribly challenging part of your job
- 20 | either; am I right?
- 21 **A.** No, that wasn't part of our job at all.
- 22 | Q. Indeed. You were copied on these communications not because
- 23 | your legal advice was being requested, but just because you were
- 24 | a lawyer, correct?
- 25 | A. I'm not sure which communications you're referring to.

- 1 Q. All right. Well, again, Mr. Ostrowski didn't respond to
- 2 | your second "fake privilege" communication that we have, at least
- 3 because history is on, again, by asking you any questions about
- 4 | what you meant, correct?
- 5 **A.** Not that I see.
- 6 Q. Right. Because Mr. Ostrowski, who worked in the Play Store
- 7 | Business, was fully aware of the concept at Google of copying
- 8 | lawyers for fake privilege, correct?
- 9 A. No, I think it was because that was a sarcastic statement
- 10 | in response to external litigation.
- 11 THE COURT: That's not an answer. Listen to the
- 12 question and answer it.
- 13 **THE WITNESS:** Okay. Sorry. Will you ask it again?
- 14 **THE COURT:** Take the question exactly the same way
- 15 | again. Put your full attention on it, please, Ms. Garber.
- 16 **THE WITNESS:** Okay.
- 17 BY MR. BORNSTEIN:
- 18 Q. Ms. Garber, Mr. Ostrowski, who worked in the Play Store
- 19 Business was fully aware of the concept at Google of copying
- 20 | lawyers for fake privilege, correct?
- 21 **A.** No, that's not my understanding.
- 22 **Q.** Your understanding is this was a joke, correct?
- 23 **A.** Yes.
- 24 | Q. Because fake privilege is funny?
- 25 **A.** No.

- 1 Q. Do you know the phrase or the -- I'll do a little
- 2 | Shakespeare if I can: Many a true word has been spoken in jest?
 - **A.** I'm not familiar with that quotation.
- 4 Q. I'll take it out of Shakespeare. In every joke there's a
- 5 | kernel of truth, right, Ms. Garber?
- 6 **A.** I don't think I have an opinion on that.
- 7 MR. BORNSTEIN: I'll pass the witness, Your Honor.
- 8 THE COURT: What did you mean by "fake privilege" on
- 9 page 48 of this exhibit?
- 10 **THE WITNESS:** It was a reference to external
- 11 | allegations that had recently been -- become public in other
- 12 | litigation where the litigants in that case had accused Google
- 13 of improperly using privilege, and it was a sarcastic reference
- 14 to that allegation which I disagreed with.
- 15 THE COURT: Pass the witness.
- 16 CROSS-EXAMINATION
- 17 BY MS. CHIU:

- 18 Q. Ms. Garber, are you assigned to provide legal counsel
- 19 | regarding the Google Play Store?
- 20 **A.** No, I'm not.
- 21 Q. And Ms. Garber, have you provided any legal advice regarding
- 22 | Epic Games?
- 23 **A.** Not that I recall.
- 24 **Q.** Have you ever worked on any issues relating to Fortnite?
- 25 **A.** Not that I recall.

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- 1 Q. And have you been involved in providing legal advice to
- 2 | anyone at Google regarding this litigation between Google and
- 3 | Epic?
- 4 **A.** No, I haven't.
- 5 | Q. Ms. Garber, were you deposed in this litigation?
- 6 **A.** No, I wasn't.
- 7 | Q. Now, the Court just asked you about that second chat that we
- 8 just looked at. Could you just explain what you meant when you
- 9 used "fake privilege" in that second chat?
- 10 **A.** Yes, it was a reference to litigation that had recently
- 11 become public at the time in which the other party claimed that
- 12 Google had been improperly using the concept of attorney-client
- 13 | privilege, and I had recently become familiar with those
- 14 | allegations and I strongly disagreed with them. And so I was
- 15 using the concept here in a sarcastic way to indicate my
- 16 disagreement with how external parties would portray the work
- 17 | that our team was doing.
- 18 MS. CHIU: Thank you, Ms. Garber. I have nothing
- 19 further.

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REDIRECT EXAMINATION

- 21 BY MR. BORNSTEIN:
- 22 Q. Ms. Garber, a few very, very brief questions.
- First of all, the litigation you were referring to
- 24 | that you have now testified prompted your comment in
- 25 | Exhibit 6488, that didn't prompt your "fake privilege" reference

GARBER - REDIRECT / BORNSTEIN

- 1 in 6487, the prior exhibit, did it, Ms. Garber?
- 2 A. No, I don't think so.
- 3 | Q. Okay. And you were asked a few questions about whether you
- 4 | have Play Store responsibilities just now, right?
- 5 **A.** Yes.
- 6 Q. But we agree that Mr. Ostrowski, your correspondent on these
- 7 | "fake privilege" communications, did have responsibilities for
- 8 | supporting the Play Store Business, correct?
- 9 A. He does counsel Play, yes.
- 10 Q. Right. And he is, in fact, all over documents that were
- 11 exchanged by senior Play Store executives who are going to
- 12 | testify in this case or have already testified in this case,
- 13 | right?
- 14 A. I don't have any awareness of that.
- 15 **Q.** Okay. Well, we will share that with the jury soon. Thank
- 16 | you, Ms. Garber.
- 17 | THE COURT: Okay. You may step down. Careful on the
- 18 way down.
- Who do we have next?
- 20 MS. MOSKOWITZ: Your Honor, Epic calls Margaret Lam to
- 21 the stand, please.
- 22 **THE COURT:** Okay.
- 23 **THE CLERK:** Please stand and raise your right hand.
- 24 MARGARET LAM,
- 25 | called as a witness for the PLAINTIFFS, having been duly sworn,

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testified as follows:
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              THE WITNESS: I do.
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              THE CLERK: Thank you. Please be seated.
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                Please state your name for the Court and spell your
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      last name.
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              THE WITNESS: Margaret Lam, L-A-M.
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              THE CLERK:
                           Thank you.
                               May I proceed?
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              MS. MOSKOWITZ:
                              DIRECT EXAMINATION
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     BY MS. MOSKOWITZ:
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     Q.
          Good afternoon, Ms. Lam.
          Good afternoon.
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     Α.
          My name is Lauren Moskowitz, and I represent Epic.
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     0.
                Do you have a binder in front of you?
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          I do.
     Α.
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          Great. You joined Google in 2019; is that right?
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          That's correct.
     Α.
18
          And your title is Head of Platforms and Ecosystems Strategy
19
     for Android; is that right?
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          It has been my title for this past year.
     Α.
          It's currently your title?
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     Q.
          That's correct.
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     Α.
          And Platforms and Ecosystems is the product area within
23
     Google that includes Android and Google Play, right?
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Α.

That's correct.

- 1 Q. And you've been in that group for the last several years?
- 2 A. I have.
- 3 | Q. And over the years you have worked with Jamie Rosenberg?
- 4 **A.** I have.
- 5 **Q.** And you've worked with James Kolotouros?
- 6 A. I have not.
- 7 | Q. You have not worked with Jim Kolotouros at all?
- 8 A. Jim, yes, I have.
- 9 Q. Okay. He goes by "Jim?"
- 10 **A.** Sorry.
- 11 Q. No, I'm just making sure we're talking about the same
- 12 person.
- Jim Kolotouros is in your working world, right?
- 14 A. That's correct.
- 15 Q. And, in fact, Mr. Kolotouros is the executive who managers
- 16 | Google's OEM Partnerships, right?
- 17 | A. That's correct.
- 18 Q. And you've also worked with Purnima Kochikar and her Google
- 19 | Play Developer Partnerships Team in connection with your job,
- 20 right?
- 21 **A.** I have.
- 22 | Q. And you were involved in setting Google's strategy relating
- 23 to its partnerships with Android OEMs, right?
- 24 **A.** I help support the team, yes.
- 25 \ Q. And you work on aspects of Google's agreements with

1 | Android's OEMs, right?

- 2 **A.** I do.
- 3 Q. And that includes the MADA, which is the Mobile Application
- 4 Distribution Agreements, right?
- 5 **A.** That's correct.
- 6 Q. And you also -- the MADA is one of the types of agreements
- 7 | that Google enters into with OEM Partners, right?
- 8 A. That's correct.
- 9 Q. And one of the terms of the MADA requires OEMs to preinstall
- 10 Google Play and place it on the default home screen of all of
- 11 | their smartphones. You're familiar with that requirement, right?
- 12 **A.** Yes.
- 13 | Q. You also work on Google's Revenue Share Agreements, right?
- 14 **A.** That's correct.
- 15 Q. And those are also known as RSAs?
- 16 **A.** Yes.
- 17 | Q. You are involved in Google Strategy for RSAs at Google,
- 18 | right?
- 19 **A.** Report to team, yes.
- 20 **Q.** And that means you are involved in Google Strategy?
- 21 **A.** Yes.
- 22 | Q. You are familiar with the program at Google called RSA 3.0,
- 23 | are you not?
- 24 **A.** I am.
- 25 | Q. And RSA 3.0 refers to sets of agreements that Google entered

1 into with Android OEMs, right?

- 2 A. That's correct.
- 3 Q. And under those RSA 3.0 agreements, you understand that
- 4 Google pays Google Play revenue share to OEMs who elect their
- 5 devices into the Premiere Tier of that program, right?
- 6 A. That's correct.
- 7 | Q. And you yourself have done work relating to the Google Play
- 8 revenue share payments under the RSA 3.0 agreements, correct?
- 9 A. That's correct.
- 10 Q. You were aware that for an OEM to receive any Google Play
- 11 revenue share payment under that Premiere Tier, they cannot
- 12 | preinstall any app store on their smartphone other than Google
- 13 | Play, correct?
- 14 A. That's correct.
- 15 | Q. And you have also done work relating to Google's
- 16 | relationship with Samsung, right?
- 17 | A. That's correct.
- 18 | Q. And are you familiar with Project Banyan?
- 19 **A.** Not really.
- 20 **Q.** Have you heard that term before?
- 21 **A.** I have.
- 22 | Q. And you understand that that was a project that was
- 23 undertaken at Google to negotiate a deal with Samsung?
- 24 **A.** That was before my time. I'm not aware of that project.
- 25 Q. At any point in time have you become aware of what that

project was about even if it happened before your time?

- 2 **A.** At a high level, yes.
- 3 Q. Okay. And at a high level you understood that Google was
- 4 | negotiating with Samsung to have Samsung stop offering the Galaxy
- 5 | Store and promote Google Play?
- 6 **A.** I'm not aware of those details specifically.
- 7 | Q. You received a litigation hold notice in connection with
- 8 | this lawsuit, correct?
- 9 A. That's correct.
- 10 Q. And you were aware that this litigation was filed on
- 11 | August 13th, 2020, are you not?
- 12 **A.** Yes.

- 13 | Q. And a litigation hold notice, just so we're all on the same
- 14 page, is a notice from your employer instructing you to preserve
- 15 documents that may be relevant for a lawsuit, right?
- 16 **A.** That's correct.
- 17 | Q. And you knew that because you were under a legal hold you
- 18 | were required to preserve documents that might be relevant to
- 19 | this lawsuit, right?
- 20 **A.** Yes.
- 21 Q. And that includes documents like instant messages or chats,
- 22 right?
- 23 A. I did receive a legal hold, but I would not say I fully
- 24 understood all the details of it.
- 25 | Q. You understand, do you not, that under a legal hold

- 1 obligation you have to preserve every form of document that you
- 2 create in the course of your business about issues relevant to
- 3 | this litigation; do you have that understanding?
- 4 **A.** Yes, generally.
- 5 **Q.** And Google Chat is an instant --
- 6 THE COURT: If I may, at the time, Ms. Lam, you
- 7 | received that legal hold, did an attorney explain to you your
- 8 | obligations to preserve documents?
- 9 **THE WITNESS:** No.
- 10 BY MS. MOSKOWITZ:
- 11 Q. Google Chat is an instant message app used by Google
- 12 | employees in the course of their business, right?
- 13 **A.** That's correct.
- 14 Q. And you yourself use Google Chat every day in the course of
- 15 | your work at Google, right?
- 16 **A.** That's correct.
- 17 | Q. You use Google Chat to talk about various aspects of your
- 18 | job, right?
- 19 **A.** That's correct.
- 20 **Q.** You use Google Chat to talk about RSAs, for example.
- 21 A. That's correct.
- 22 | Q. And you use Google Chat to talk about MADAs as well, right?
- 23 **A.** That's correct.
- 24 | Q. And you are familiar with the history settings in Google
- 25 Chat, right?

- 1 **A.** I am.
- 2 Q. And you know that when history is set to off, chats are
- 3 | permanently deleted every 24 hours, right?
- 4 A. That's correct.
- 5 Q. And you also know that your, by default, your history
- 6 setting is in fact set to off, right?
- 7 **A.** That's correct.
- 8 Q. All right. Let's just put up Exhibit 10104 in evidence,
- 9 | please, just so we can -- this is what a chat looks like to you
- 10 when you're chatting with your colleagues at Google, right?
- 11 **A.** That's correct.
- 12 Q. And you see here on the top you're reminded: "History
- 13 | turned off, messages sent with history off are deleted after 24
- 14 hours."
- Do you see that?
- 16 **A.** I do.
- 17 | Q. And that's what it looks like when you're chatting at work?
- 18 A. That's correct.
- 19 Q. You've received training at Google instructing you to
- 20 | communicate with care, correct?
- 21 **A.** I have.
- 22 | Q. And Google trained you to be careful about what you say in
- 23 writing because your communications could end up in court, right?
- 24 **A.** Yes.
- 25 | Q. Let's pull up 6056 in evidence. On page 2 the title of this

- training is: You Said What? 10 Things to Ensure You're
- Communicating With Care. 2
- Do you see that? 3
- I do. 4 Α.
- 5 And this is Communicating With Care training you received, Q.
- 6 right?

- I don't recall this exactly. 7 I may have. Α.
- You remember receiving the "You Said What?" training, right? 8 Q.
- Vaquely, but not specifically. 9 Α.
- All right. Let's just refresh ourselves. Page 3, please. 10 Q.
- 11 This slide states that "Google is constantly in the public eye
- and the courthouse, " right? 12
- It does. 13 Α.
- And you've received training telling you that Google is 14
- 15 often in the courthouse, right?
- 16 Α. Yes.
- 17 And this states that "We often have to produce employee Q.
- 18 communications as evidence, which means your communications can
- 19 become public at any time. " Right?
- 20 Yes. A.
- So you understood through this training that if you said 21 Q.
- something in writing, that writing could end up produced as 22
- evidence in litigation, did you not? 23
- I received the training, but I'm not sure if I fully 24
- remembered the specific training. 25

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          But reading this, you understand that the message here was
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     Q.
     that if you said something in writing, that writing could be
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     produced as evidence in litigation down the road, right?
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          I see that, yes.
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          And you know that if you say something in a chat with your
     Q.
     history off, that chat can't be produced in litigation, cannot be
 6
 7
     produced in litigation because those are deleted every 24 hours,
     right?
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          That's correct.
 9
     Α.
          Let's turn in your binder to 8024. It will not yet be on
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11
     the screen. Let me know when you have it, please.
          What was the exhibit again? I'm sorry.
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     Α.
          8024, please.
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     Q.
          I have it in front of me.
14
     Α.
15
          This is a Google Chat conversation in which you participated
     Q.
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     on January 13, 2021, correct?
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     Α.
          That's correct.
              MS. MOSKOWITZ: Your Honor, I move 8024 into evidence.
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              MS. CHIU: No objections.
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              THE COURT:
                          It's admitted.
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                                 (Trial Exhibit 8024 received in
                                  evidence.)
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Thank you. Let's put that on the

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MS. MOSKOWITZ:

screen, please.

BY MS. MOSKOWITZ:

- 2 Q. This is a conversation between you and Sophia Lu; is that
- 3 | correct?

- 4 | A. That's correct.
- 5 Q. And Ms. Lu is a Strategic Partnership Manager for Android at
- 6 Google; is that right?
- 7 **A.** That's correct.
- 8 Q. And if you need to take a look, you have it in your binder.
- 9 This is a substantive business discussion you were participating
- 10 | in, in this chat, correct?
- 11 A. I wouldn't say a substantive.
- 12 Q. It involves your work, right?
- 13 A. It does.
- 14 Q. So by that it's not just friendly chitchat at the
- 15 | watercooler, right?
- 16 **A.** That's correct.
- 17 | Q. Okay. So in that sense it's substantive business
- 18 | communication, right?
- 19 **A.** That's correct.
- 20 Q. So let's talk about this. And, again, please feel free to
- 21 | take a look at this.
- Some of the discussion here is actually relevant to
- 23 the issues in this case; isn't that right?
- 24 A. I'm not sure if it is.
- 25 | Q. So do you have any information about what this case is

1 about?

- 2 A. Not entirely, no.
- 3 | Q. So you couldn't tell me what sort of topics are or are not
- 4 | relevant to this case?
- 5 A. My understanding it's related to Epic.
- 6 Q. Okay. So you have no understanding about whether it has
- 7 | anything to do with RSAs, MADAs, Google Play, anything like that?
- 8 A. Not specifically, no.
- 9 Q. So fair to say that you would not be able to say whether
- 10 | this chat was relevant to this litigation?
- 11 A. I wouldn't.
- 12 Q. And if someone left it up to you to decide which of all of
- 13 | your chats to save for this case, you just would not be able to
- 14 do that, right?
- 15 **A.** Sorry. Can you repeat that question, please?
- 16 \ Q. Sure. So if it were up to you to look through every chat
- 17 | you sent every single day since August 13th, 2020, you would not
- 18 | have the first clue about which of those chats was relevant to
- 19 | this litigation, right?
- 20 **A.** My understanding would be anything related to Epic would
- 21 be related to this case.
- 22 | Q. Okay. So the only thing you thought you had to preserve for
- 23 | this case was something that mentioned Epic Games?
- 24 **A.** That was my understanding.
- 25 | Q. So fair to say that this does not mention Epic Games?

- 1 A. That's correct.
- 2 Q. So if it were up to you, you would have just let this chat
- 3 | get deleted because it wasn't relevant to this case, as you
- 4 understood it?
- 5 **A.** That's my understanding.
- 6 Q. All right. Actually, let's talk a little bit about the
- 7 | substance of this discussion we have here.
- 8 In the middle of the first page, Ms. Lu writes to you
- 9 that she wanted to check with you if you had done any work on
- 10 monetization, since you had been super involved in the RSA
- 11 processes, right? And it's on the screen, too, if it helps.
- 12 **A.** Yes.
- 13 Q. You understand that monetization refers to how Google makes
- 14 | money from Google's apps on Android, right?
- 15 **A.** That's correct.
- 16 Q. And the RSA reference here is the same Revenue Share
- 17 | Agreements with OEMs, Android OEMs that we just discussed a
- 18 moment ago, right?
- 19 **A.** Yes.
- 20 **Q.** And at the top of the second page you wrote: "More
- 21 | prominent placement for certain services can lead to higher
- 22 monetization."
- Do you see that?
- 24 **A.** I do.
- 25 **Q.** And on the third page you continue on, you wrote near the

- 1 | middle: "You can generally assume prominent placement," and in
- 2 parens you have "hotseat/DHS, leads to higher usage, and thereby
- 3 | potential monetization if we were to monetize than the PlusOne
- 4 screen."
- 5 Do you see that?
- 6 **A.** I do.
- 7 Q. Okay. Let's break that down a little. There's a lot in
- 8 there.
- 9 So DHS. DHS refers to the default home screen of an
- 10 android device, right?
- 11 **A.** That's correct.
- 12 Q. And the default home screen is the most prominent screen on
- 13 a phone, right?
- 14 A. It is a prominent screen, yes.
- 15 **Q.** It's the most prominent screen on a phone, right?
- 16 **A.** Yes.
- 17 | Q. And it's more prominent than the PlusOne screen, which is
- 18 | the screen a user sees if they swipe to the left from the home
- 19 | screen, right?
- 20 **A.** That's correct.
- 21 **Q.** And the hotseat that you refer to here is that area on the
- 22 | bottom of a phone that's there all the time no matter which way
- 23 | you're swiping, right?
- 24 A. That's correct.
- 25 Q. Now, what you're saying here in this chat that we're looking

- 1 at is that when apps are preinstalled on the default home screen,
- 2 as opposed to less prominent screens, those apps will be used
- 3 | more by the phone owners, right?
- 4 **A.** Yes.
- 5 Q. And, in turn, if the apps that are preinstalled on the
- 6 default home screen happen to be apps that sell things, more
- 7 usage will result in more revenue for the app developer, right?
- 8 A. It could, yes.
- 9 Q. Well, Google Play is an app that Google monetizes, right?
- 10 **A.** That's correct.
- 11 Q. And you were aware, of course, that one of the requirements
- 12 Google imposes in the MADA is that OEMs must place Google Play on
- 13 | the default home screen of the OEM device, right?
- 14 A. That's correct.
- 15 Q. They cannot, even if they want to, they cannot place Google
- 16 | Play on the PlusOne screen, correct?
- 17 | A. That's correct.
- 18 Q. So the requirement that Google Play be placed on the default
- 19 home screen for all OEMs who sign a MADA leads to higher usage
- 20 | and higher monetization for Google Play, correct?
- 21 **A.** I do not know the stats specifically.
- 22 | Q. That's what your chat is implying, isn't it?
- 23 A. That's a general statement, but I'm not sure if it's true
- 24 | exactly for Google Play.
- 25 | Q. Okay. So you think it's generally true, but Google Play

- 1 | might be an exception to that general rule?
- 2 A. I'm not sure. I don't do the data for it.
- 3 Q. Okay. But you understand why it's a requirement in the
- 4 | MADA, do you not?
- 5 **A.** I do know it's a requirement in the MADA.
- 6 Q. Do you know why it's a requirement in the MADA; don't you
- 7 | also know that?
- 8 A. I was not part of the decision to make that in the MADA.
- 9 Q. You were being asked about placement in monetization in your
- 10 | capacity as your strategy for Android, right?
- 11 | A. I deferred my colleague to talk to finance. I do not look
- 12 at this data.
- 13 | Q. Okay. But you made this statement, and you just can't tell
- 14 me right now whether you think it's true for Google Play, right?
- 15 A. I cannot guarantee it, no.
- 16 | Q. All right. Let's go back to the second page a little bit
- 17 | more than halfway down. Ms. Lu writes: "I'd be interested to
- 18 know more if you have a document or a summary of how placement
- 19 | impacts monetization."
- 20 Do you see that?
- 21 **A.** I do.
- 22 Q. And you write: "Unfortunately, I do not have a specific dod
- 23 [document] detailing that out."
- Do you see that?
- 25 **A.** I do.

- 1 Q. And you give a reason why you don't have that document,
- 2 don't you?
- You say the reason why you don't have a document
- 4 laying all this out was "competition legal might not want us to
- 5 have a document like that at all, " right?
- 6 **A.** I see I wrote that, yes.
- 7 | Q. And you put a smiley face after that, right?
- 8 **A.** Yes.
- 9 Q. So you understood, you were trained well that Google did not
- 10 | want you to create documents and records about how placement
- 11 | impacts monetization and how that may relate to the requirements
- 12 | Google imposed on OEMs; isn't that right?
- 13 **A.** I did not get specific training on that specifically, no.
- 14 Q. You didn't get training on this exact thing specifically,
- 15 | but you did get training about not putting documents in writing
- 16 | when it might end up in a courtroom, right?
- 17 | A. I would not say that's an accurate representation.
- 18 Q. That's not in the Communicate With Care training we just
- 19 looked at?
- 20 **A.** I don't remember exactly the words from it, no.
- 21 Q. All right. We talked about the fact that as of August 13th,
- 22 | 2020, you were under a legal obligation to preserve evidence for
- 23 | this lawsuit, right?
- 24 A. That's correct.
- 25 | Q. And, again, that meant that you were under a legal

obligation not to destroy evidence related to this case, right?

- A. That's correct.
- 3 Q. And please turn in your binder to Exhibit 6464, please.
- 4 Are you there?
- 5 **A.** Yes.

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- 6 Q. Thank you. This is a Google Chat conversation that you
- 7 participated in on February 16, 2021, correct?
- 8 A. That's correct.
- 9 MS. MOSKOWITZ: Your Honor, I move 6464 into evidence.
- 10 **THE COURT:** It's admitted.
- 11 (Trial Exhibit 6464 received in
- 12 evidence.)
- 13 BY MS. MOSKOWITZ:
- 14 Q. This is after the legal hold obligation arose for this case,
- 15 | correct?
- 16 **A.** That's correct.
- 17 | Q. And the chat begins here with "Thanks, Parag;" do you see
- 18 that?
- 19 **A.** I do.
- 20 **Q.** And that's Parag Ladhawala?
- 21 A. That's correct.
- 22 | Q. And at this time Mr. Ladhawala worked in OEM Partnerships,
- 23 | right?
- 24 **A.** I'm not sure if I remember where he worked.
- 25 | Q. You were communicating with him in the capacity of your work

1 at Google?

- 2 **A.** I don't work with him normally, no.
- 3 Q. All right. But you're communicating with him about work,
- 4 | right?
- 5 **A.** Yes.
- 6 Q. All right. So whatever Mr. Ladhawala had said to you before
- 7 | you wrote "Thanks" doesn't appear in this document; do you see
- 8 | that?
- 9 **A.** I do.
- 10 Q. So up to this point the chat history had been turned off,
- 11 | correct?
- 12 **A.** Yes.
- 13 **Q.** So all of the messages, whatever you guys were talking
- 14 | about, was deleted after 24 hours, correct?
- 15 **A.** That's correct.
- 16 Q. So after you said "Thanks," you realized history was turned
- 17 on. You say "Would it be too much to ask you to turn history
- 18 off; do you see that?
- 19 **A.** I do.
- 20 | Q. So you were telling Mr. Ladhawala to flip that switch back
- 21 | to history off, right?
- 22 **A.** Yes.
- 23 **Q.** You did not want to preserve this conversation, correct?
- 24 **A.** Yes.
- 25 Q. You were discussing the MADA agreements in here. We see at

1 least one line that did show up, you see that there, "wanted to

- 2 keep the MADA?"
- 3 A. I do see that.
- 4 Q. All right. So fair to say that you were discussing the MADA
- 5 | in this chat?
- 6 A. I don't remember exactly, but I see the reference here,
- 7 so, yes.
- 8 Q. Your interpretation of that is that MADAs were being
- 9 discussed in this chat off the record, right?
- 10 **A.** Yes.
- 11 Q. And he said he wanted to keep the MADA info for reference,
- 12 | that's why he turned history on, right?
- 13 **A.** Yes.
- 14 Q. So after you asked for history to be turned back off, you
- 15 wrote, quote, lots of sensitivity with legal these days, and
- 16 | there's that smiley face again; do you see that?
- 17 **A.** I do.
- 18 Q. So you were saying that you wanted history to be turned off
- 19 | specifically because of legal sensitivity, right?
- 20 A. That's not exactly what I meant.
- 21 Q. Well, that's what you said, right?
- 22 **A.** That's correct.
- 23 | Q. All right. And so you wanted to keep your chat about the
- 24 | MADA specifically off the record, right?
- 25 **A.** Yes.

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- 1 Q. So Mr. Ladhawala wrote: "Okay. Can do," right?
- 2 **A.** Yes.
- 3 | Q. All right. Now let's just pull that back to full screen.
- 4 | That's the last message in this document, right?
- 5 **A.** It is.
- 6 Q. So Mr. Ladhawala did in fact turn history off, correct?
- 7 **A.** That's correct.
- 8 | Q. And everything you chatted about before he turned history on
- 9 and then again after he turned history off, including everything
- 10 you discussed about the MADA was permanently deleted, correct?
- 11 A. That's correct.
- 12 Q. We can take that down.
- Now, the chat we just looked at was not the only time
- 14 that you've told your co-workers to turn their chat history off,
- 15 right?
- 16 | THE COURT: Okay. Let's take our afternoon break, and
- 17 | we'll be back at -- let's do 2:20 so we can wrap up for the day
- 18 on time, okay?
- 19 **THE CLERK:** All rise.
- 20 (Proceedings were heard out of presence of the jury:)
- 21 **THE COURT:** All right. You're under oath on the
- 22 | break. You may not speak to anyone about anything you're
- 23 | testifying about, including the manner or style or presentation
- 24 of your testimony, okay?
- 25 **THE WITNESS:** Understood.

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              THE COURT: You can step down.
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              MR. POMERANTZ: Your Honor, I'm sorry to bother you.
    Over here.
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              THE COURT: Yes.
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              MR. POMERANTZ: There is one brief document related --
              THE COURT: You can --
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              MR. POMERANTZ: It doesn't concern this witness, Your
    Honor.
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              THE COURT:
                         That's okay. You can just step outside
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     and enjoy your break. Yes.
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              MR. POMERANTZ: There's one brief document issue.
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     don't know if you want to take it up now. It's about the next
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     witness, not this one, and it's just a sealing issue. I hope
     it's the last one you have to deal with on short notice, but
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    because of the timing of your message yesterday --
              THE COURT: Let's have it.
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              MR. POMERANTZ: All right. It's Exhibit 1065,
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     Exhibit 1065 and Exhibit 624. I'll hand it up to Your Honor in
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     a second. You don't have it. I'm about to hand it up to you.
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                All right. Here, I'll just use this.
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                I'm sorry, Your Honor.
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              THE COURT: That's fine.
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              MR. POMERANTZ: I'll give Ms --
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              MS. MOSKOWITZ: I have it.
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              MR. POMERANTZ: You have it?
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MS. MOSKOWITZ: 1 Yes. 2 THE CLERK: Thank you. THE COURT: Thank you. 3 Your Honor, Exhibit 1065, which is the 4 MR. POMERANTZ: 5 shorter one on top, this summarizes deal terms between Google 6 and Samsung. These are active deals, and these are among the 7 most sensitive agreements that are in the Android space. the terms of this deal would affect competition involving Apple 8 and other companies like Amazon and Microsoft, and I think it 9 would be harmful to the competitive process to allow these 10 11 terms. It's almost exactly three years old. 12 THE COURT: This 13 was created on November 14 -- November 4, 2020, so November-something 2023, so it's three years out of date. 14 15 MR. POMERANTZ: It's three years out of date only in 16 the sense of when it was created, but it is active deal terms 17 that would affect competition if disclosed. And so we would -- we don't have any problem with 18 the -- with plaintiffs showing it to the jury. We have hard 19 copies to hand out, but we would ask that the financial deal 20 terms not be disclosed in open court. 21 22 Well, all right. THE COURT: 23 MS. MOSKOWITZ: Your Honor, I think I was going to start where you did. I think that the fact that there's --24 25 this isn't even a contract. This is a summary all about the

gives and the takes. 1 The TLDR summary. Go ahead. 2 THE COURT: MS. MOSKOWITZ: Yes, yes. We've learned a lot about 3 that. 4 5 THE COURT: Yes. MS. MOSKOWITZ: And, you know, explaining in here 6 what's different from when Mr. Pichai last reviewed it, and, 7 you know, it's cumbersome to try to dance around this in court. 8 THE COURT: Who is this for? 9 MS. MOSKOWITZ: Mr. Kolotouros, who is the witness 10 11 right after Ms. Lam? How much longer with her? 12 THE COURT: 13 MS. MOSKOWITZ: I would think ten minutes, less maybe. We will be definitely getting to Mr. Kolotouros today. 14 15 MR. POMERANTZ: Yeah, and Mr. Kolotouros is very 16 familiar with this. These do reflect active deal terms, and 17 I'm sure he would be able to explain the very sensitive nature of these terms and how it could affect ongoing competition in 18 19 this space. 20 Competition with whom? THE COURT: Competition with Apple, competition 21 MR. POMERANTZ: that Amazon or Microsoft or others who deal with both Samsung 22 23 would -- who deal with Samsung, it would affect them. think it would be harmful to the process of ongoing 24 25 negotiations and deals that might relate to the same general

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value that's reflected in this deal.
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              THE COURT: How long is that person going to go?
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              MS. MOSKOWITZ: I think I probably have an hour 15
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     myself with him, if not a little bit more, depending on if I
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     get a note to wrap it up.
              THE COURT: Well, you're going to have to wait till
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    Monday, okay?
              MS. MOSKOWITZ:
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              THE COURT: Just save this one for Monday.
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              MS. MOSKOWITZ:
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              THE COURT: And I'll see if I can do it Sunday.
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     can't quarantee I'll have it done by Monday, but I'll look at
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     it.
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              MR. POMERANTZ: And 624 is another document that has
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     some of the confidential information relating to Samsung and
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     Google on various slides.
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                Ms. -- you know, Ms. Moskowitz has agreed not to use
      certain pages, but basically the appendix, but the pages before
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      that do contain some confidential deal terms involving Samsung.
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              THE COURT:
                         Which page?
              MR. POMERANTZ: Most of them. You know, we are
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     particularly concerned about what's referred to as TAC
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     information, which is on a handful of pages.
              MS. MOSKOWITZ: And this one, Your Honor, is just
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     absolutely unmanageable. They've asked for nearly every page
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in this first 25 pages to be sealed. I'm using this document
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     extensively.
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              THE COURT:
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                              Presented to the Business Counsel,
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              MS. MOSKOWITZ:
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     Your Honor.
              THE COURT: So I don't understand the competitive --
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     just give me one concrete example of a competitive risk.
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              MR. POMERANTZ: So I believe the competition regarding
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     the acquisition costs, for example, on slide 624-04.
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              THE COURT:
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              MR. POMERANTZ: That bottom chart, I don't know that
     Ms. Moskowitz is intending to ask about it, but the numbers at
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     the bottom there is sensitive information.
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              MS. MOSKOWITZ: I gotta say, Your Honor, it's
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     frustrating to hear this. I did specifically ask if there was
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     a one line or something very specific that they wanted to ask
     me about if I was going to do, I was happy to take that back.
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     I got a list of slides, and it was a long list of slides.
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     did try to raise this.
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     Mr. Kolotouros and not have to modify my entire examination.
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                         Well, what is this going to show, just at
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              THE COURT:
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MS. MOSKOWITZ: This goes through at a high end and a

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Counsel about their motivations, why they were offering, what
they were offering, and how that was going to block competition
on Android. Has nothing to do with Apple, that we'll
definitely establish, and there are multiple slides to walk
through to get to that point.
        MR. POMERANTZ: And, again, Your Honor, most of the
text is not something that we would object to. It's a lot of
the financial information that is interspersed throughout the
document.
         THE COURT: Why do you need the financial information?
        MS. MOSKOWITZ:
                         I may not need some of it. The TAC
thing is the first I'm hearing about it. I'd have to go back
now to look at every single slide that I'm intending to use.
If they wanted to propose redaction of one line here and there,
I might absolutely be able to do that, but there's a lot of
financials.
         THE COURT:
                     Okay. Well, I'm not going to do this
right now. This thing is 40 pages long to begin with. So what
do you want to do?
         MR. POMERANTZ: Your Honor, if I could suggest, you
know, there's probably other -- a lot to her examination that
we could get done after this witness is off the stand, and
leave these two documents for Monday, and then we can try to
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MS. MOSKOWITZ: Your Honor --

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We're not ending at 2:30 or 2:40 today.
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              THE COURT:
              MR. POMERANTZ: No, no, no, I'm saying he'll come in.
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     There's a lot of things she can ask him that don't relate to
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     these two documents.
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              THE COURT: How do you know that? It's her exam.
              MR. POMERANTZ: Because I have a whole binder of
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     exhibits that they gave to me.
              MS. MOSKOWITZ: Well, I think Your Honor is properly
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     pointing out that I may be doing this fairly early and it fits
     in a spot.
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                I think that during the break I'm going to go look and
      see if I can reshuffle. I did try to raise these yesterday
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      afternoon to just avoid this exact issue.
              THE COURT: Is there a deposition or something we can
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    play?
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              MS. MOSKOWITZ: Let us take that back, Your Honor, and
     see if we can --
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              THE COURT: Maybe -- look, I understand trial flow,
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    but maybe there's something you can just play. Do you have
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     like a 40-minute one we can do?
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              MS. MOSKOWITZ: I think we do, Your Honor. Let us
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     look at that.
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              THE COURT:
                          Think of that, okay, and then we can be
     more deliberative about this, all right?
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              MS. MOSKOWITZ: Thank you, Your Honor.
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I appreciate it, Your Honor.
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              MR. POMERANTZ:
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     you very much.
                         (Recess taken at 2:12 p.m.)
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                     (Proceedings resumed at 2:26 p.m.)
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              MS. MOSKOWITZ: Your Honor, I take it we cannot have
     anymore conversation about this sealing issue since you're
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     bringing the jury in?
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              THE COURT: No.
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                (Proceedings were heard in the presence of the jury:)
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              THE COURT:
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              MS. MOSKOWITZ:
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                             Thank you, Your Honor.
     BY MS. MOSKOWITZ:
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     the only time that you instructed your co-workers to turn their
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     chat history off, correct?
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          You did so a number of times, didn't you?
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          I may have. I don't recall exactly.
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     Α.
          All right. Please turn your binder to 8020, please.
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                8020 is a Google Chat conversation that you
       participated in on September 22, 2021, right?
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          That's correct.
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              MS. MOSKOWITZ: Your Honor, I move 8020 into evidence.
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              MS. CHIU: No objections.
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              THE COURT: It's admitted.
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(Trial Exhibit 8020 received in 1 evidence.) 2 Let's publish that, please. MS. MOSKOWITZ: 3 BY MS. MOSKOWITZ: 4 5 So this is a group chat, right? Q. That's correct. 6 Α. And group chats also start with history off by default, 7 Q. right? 8 That's correct. 9 Α. And this group chat starts, at least from what we can see, 10 11 with updated room membership. Do you see that? 12 13 Α. Yes. So that means you added someone to the group chat, right? 14 15 Α. I believe so, yes. 16 And the person you added had history on, and so turned 17 history on for the group when she was added. That's your 18 understanding of what's happening here, right? 19 Yes. Α. 20 And so the first few messages in this chat are from a 21 Ms. Okah? 22 That's correct. Α. 23 And that's the person you added, right? I don't remember exactly who I added. 24 Α.

All right. Ms. Okah is a Strategy and Operations Manager

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Q.

1 for the Platforms and Ecosystems Business at Google, right?

- 2 A. That's correct.
- 3 | Q. So Ms. Okah starts talking about various issues including
- 4 RSAs here; do you see that?
- 5 **A.** I do.
- 6 Q. And this is a substantive business discussion about RSAs,
- 7 right?
- 8 A. That's correct.
- 9 Q. And you respond to her business question; do you see that?
- 10 **A.** Yes.
- 11 Q. So then you send a followup message that says: "If
- 12 possible, do you mind turning history off? Would not like to
- 13 have a trail of us talking about waivers, et cetera."
- 14 Do you see that?
- 15 **A.** I do.
- 16 **Q.** So when you said you "didn't want a trail of us talking
- 17 | about waivers, " you meant you did not want to leave a trail, a
- 18 | written record trail of your conversation, correct?
- 19 **A.** That's correct.
- 20 | Q. So you wanted your conversation to be deleted after 24
- 21 | hours, right?
- 22 A. That's correct.
- 23 | Q. Now, after you said that, Ms. Okah wrote: "Okay, thank
- 24 vou."
- Do you see that?

- 1 **A.** Yes.
- 2 **Q.** And she turned history off, right?
- 3 A. That's correct.
- 4 | Q. All right. The chats we just looked at are ones where
- 5 | someone other than you turned history on, right?
- 6 A. That's correct.
- 7 | Q. And the reason the jury can even see those chats is that
- 8 | your history was turned on temporarily, right?
- 9 **A.** That's correct.
- 10 Q. And most of your chats history was turned off the entire
- 11 | time, right?
- 12 A. I think so.
- 13 Q. And you talk about RSA-related things all day and you don't
- 14 | have history on for all your chats, right?
- 15 A. I don't know exactly.
- 16 Q. All right. Let's go ahead and look at 6462 in your binder.
- 17 | This is a Google Chat conversation from March 17, 2022 that you
- 18 participated in, correct?
- 19 **A.** That's correct.
- 20 MS. MOSKOWITZ: Your Honor, I move 6462 into evidence.
- 21 MS. CHIU: No objections.
- 22 | THE COURT: It's admitted.
- 23 (Trial Exhibit 6462 received in
- 24 evidence.)
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BY MS. MOSKOWITZ:

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- 2 | Q. All right. Why don't we, before we walk through this whole
- 3 | thing, do you see where you say one, two, three four -- five
- 4 | lines down: "I talk about RSA-related things all day and I don't
- 5 | have history on for all of my chats, "smiley face, right?
- 6 **A.** I see that I have written that, yes.
 - Q. That's the wrong -- five lines down, please.
- 8 "I talk about" -- five -- there we go.
- 9 You see where I am: "I talk about RSA-related things
- 10 all day and I don't have history on for all of my chats, "right?
- 11 **A.** Yes.
- 12 Q. All right. So for your chats where you had history off, the
- 13 | jury will never see those chats because those conversations were
- 14 deleted, right?
- 15 **A.** That's correct.
- 16 **Q.** All right. Now, let's go back, and we're going to walk
- 17 | through this chat in a little more detail.
- 18 So right at the top here there's a chat from Ethan
- 19 Young Chang; do you see that?
- 20 **A.** I do.
- 21 Q. Mr. Chang is a Senior Strategic Partnerships Development
- 22 | Manager at Google, right?
- 23 **A.** That's correct.
- 24 Q. This chat begins with him saying: "As we are talking about
- 25 RSA, I've turned on history as per policy."

1 Do you see that?

- 2 **A.** I do.
- 3 Q. So what he was communicating to you was because we are
- 4 | talking about RSAs right now, I am going to turn history on
- 5 because that's what I'm required to do, right?
- 6 A. I believe so, yes.
- 7 | Q. But of course, as you can see here, everything that was said
- 8 about RSAs before this moment are permanently deleted, right?
- 9 A. That's correct.
- 10 Q. So you asked Mr. Chang in response to tell you what policy
- 11 he was referring to that led him to turn history on; do you see
- 12 | that?
- 13 **A.** I do.
- 14 Q. You said, "I'd prefer to have history off."
- Do you see that?
- 16 **A.** I do.
- 17 | Q. So Mr. Chang told you it was his understanding that for
- 18 anything regarding RSAs, he needed to have history on.
- 19 Do you see in that next chat there, Legal -- there you
- go. Do you see that?
- 21 **A.** I do.
- 22 Q. You told him in response that, what we just looked at:
- 23 | "Well, I talk about RSA-related things all day and I don't have
- 24 | history on for all of my chats, " smiley face, right?
- 25 **A.** Yes.

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- 1 Q. But he persisted, he said, "We cannot delete it. I am also
- 2 on multiple legal holds."
- 3 Do you see that?
- 4 **A.** I do.
- 5 Q. Well, you write back: "Okay. Maybe I take you off this
- 6 | convo, "right?
- 7 **A.** Yes.
- 8 Q. So your suggestion or your solution to him wanting to save
- 9 this document, because he was on a legal hold, was to kick him
- 10 off of the chat, right?
- 11 **A.** That is what I wrote, yes.
- 12 **Q.** And you put a laughing emoji by that?
- 13 **A.** I did.
- 14 | Q. You told him that you were also on multiple legal holds,
- 15 | didn't you? You said "As am I," right?
- 16 **A.** I did.
- 17 | Q. So you were -- we already know you were on at least one
- 18 | legal hold in connection with this lawsuit as of the date of this
- 19 | conversation, right?
- 20 **A.** That's correct.
- 21 | Q. And you had been on that hold -- this hold for at least two
- 22 | years at this point, right?
- 23 **A.** I think a little under two years, yeah.
- 24 | Q. All right. So even though you knew that you were on
- 25 | multiple legal holds, including one for this case, you told

- 1 Mr. Chang that you still chatted about RSAs all day with history
- 2 off, right?
- 3 **A.** I did.
- 4 Q. And Mr. Chang asked you: "Sorry, why do you prefer to have
- 5 | history off?" He said, "I think we should have a record of our
- 6 | conversation."
- 7 Do you see that?
- 8 **A.** I do.
- 9 **Q.** You disagreed, right?
- 10 | A. I don't recall.
- 11 **Q.** Sure.
- 12 **A.** I'm trying to read it.
- 13 Q. You said "Yes," unequivocally, "Yes, I do prefer history
- 14 off."
- Do you see that?
- 16 A. I see that.
- 17 | Q. And at the top of the next page you said you'd "Prefer to
- 18 | move away from this group chat, " right?
- 19 A. Yes, I see that.
- 20 Q. So by "move away from this group chat," you meant you're
- 21 going to leave this on-the-record conversation and move to an
- 22 off-the-record channel that would not be preserved, right?
- 23 **A.** That's correct.
- 24 \ Q. And you said that "having history on is causing more
- 25 | touchpoints on my end."

Do you see that?

2 A. Yes, I do.

- Q. And you said, "I respect you following your training."

 Do you see that?
- 5 **A.** Yes, I see that.
- Q. What you were communicating here was that Mr. Chang could follow his legal hold obligations, but you were not going to
- 8 | follow yours; isn't that right?
- 9 A. I didn't fully understand a legal hold and what it
 10 required of me at that time, so I was following what I
 11 understood of the legal hold at that time.
- Q. And your understanding of the legal hold at that time was
 that even though you were on multiple legal holds, you could
 still continue to leave on-the-record conversations and go to
 off-the-record conversations that would be deleted after 24
 hours. That was your understanding of the multiple legal holds
- 17 you were under?
- 18 A. I would leave history on for the items that I understood 19 to be part of legal hold, I kept those on.
- Q. Right. And you really had no idea, in fact, what issues
 were related to the legal hold you were under, right?
- 22 A. I had some idea, but not the full idea, no.
- 23 **Q.** Right.
- THE COURT: The prior answer was not clear to me.
- 25 Would you ask that question again starting with --

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1 MS. MOSKOWITZ: And your understanding?

THE COURT: And your understanding.

Please listen, Ms. Lam, carefully to the question and try to answer it to the best of your ability.

Yes, just repeat that question.

BY MS. MOSKOWITZ:

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- 7 | Q. And your understanding of a legal hold at that time was that
- 8 | even though you were on multiple legal holds, you could still
- 9 continue to leave on-the-record conversations and go to
- 10 | off-the-record conversations that would be deleted after 24
- 11 hours. That was your understanding of the multiple legal holds
- 12 you were under?
- 13 A. For the topics not related to legal hold, I could do that.
- 14 That was my understanding.
- 15 Q. And on this document someone was telling you that this
- 16 | conversation was relevant to a legal hold, didn't he?
- 17 **A.** He did.
- 18 Q. So you understood that there was a legal hold that covered
- 19 | the matters you were discussing at this time, right?
- 20 **A.** I was not entirely clear in this chat on whether or not it
- 21 was related.
- 22 Q. Even though someone told you specifically that it was in
- 23 | fact covered by a legal hold?
- 24 **A.** That was -- that was Ethan's statement, that's correct.
- 25 **Q.** And so he --

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THE COURT:
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                          That wasn't the question. The question
     isn't was that Ethan's statement.
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                Ask the question again, please.
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     BY MS. MOSKOWITZ:
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          You still understood -- you still didn't understand that
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     that chat was supposed to be preserved even though someone
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     specifically told you that it was in fact covered by a legal
     hold, right?
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          That's correct.
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          Let's turn in your binder to Exhibit 8021, please.
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                8021 is another Google Chat conversation between you
      and Mr. Chang again, right?
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          That's correct.
              MS. MOSKOWITZ: Your Honor, I move 8021 into evidence.
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              THE COURT: It's admitted.
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                                  (Trial Exhibit 8021 received in
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                                  evidence.)
     BY MS. MOSKOWITZ:
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          At the top of the sentence -- this is a lengthy chain.
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     the top of the second page is a message that you sent on
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     March 18th, 2022.
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                Do you see that?
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          I do.
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          This is the day after the conversation we just looked at
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from March 17?

- 1 A. That's correct.
- 2 Q. You say here that you had been checking on the guidance on
- 3 history on chats.
- 4 Do you see that?
- 5 **A.** I do.
- 6 Q. You say, "It sounds like we should preserve history on
- 7 | MADA/RSA/Play-related items versus regular chat."
- 8 Do you see that?
- 9 **A.** I do.
- 10 Q. And by "regular chat" you mean the off-the-record default
- 11 chats?
- 12 A. I meant regular conversation chats.
- 13 | Q. Meaning regular conversations that take place off the record
- 14 as opposed to being preserved by putting history on, right?
- 15 **A.** Do you mind repeating that question?
- 16 Q. Sure. By "regular chat," you meant off-the-record chats,
- 17 | which are the default setting, as opposed to specifically putting
- 18 | history on to preserve chats, right?
- 19 **A.** I meant the topic of regular chat, meaning if you're
- 20 | chatting about your weekend or anything.
- 21 **Q.** Okay. Let's just be very specific here.
- 22 You said "It sounds like we should put history on for
- 23 these subjects versus regular chat, " right?
- 24 **A.** Mm-hmm.
- 25 **Q.** So chats about your weekend have nothing to do with MADA,

1 RSA, Play, right?

- 2 A. That's correct.
- 3 | Q. You were drawing a distinction between history on chat for
- 4 | those subjects as opposed to history off chat for those subjects,
- 5 which you had been doing all day long with your history off, as
- 6 | we just saw, right?
- 7 **A.** Do you mind repeating that again?
- 8 Q. Yes. You were drawing a distinction here between history on
- 9 chat for these subjects, MADA, RSA, Play, as opposed to history
- 10 off chats for those subjects which you had been chatting about
- 11 | all day long with your history off, as we saw in that prior
- 12 exhibit, right?
- 13 **A.** Yes.
- 14 Q. So you say here "MADA, RSA, Play," you now at least as of
- 15 | this moment understood MADAs, RSAs, and Google Play were covered
- 16 by your legal hold obligation, right?
- 17 | A. My understanding at that time was the related items, which
- 18 | was -- which was related to Epic in this litigation
- 19 | specifically.
- 20 **Q.** I see. So you still think that you only had to preserve
- 21 | something that said "Epic" even after this -- this chat. That's
- 22 your testimony?
- 23 **A.** That was my understanding at that time.
- 24 Q. Okay. So has Epic signed a MADA?
- 25 A. I'm not sure. I don't think so.

- Q. It's not an OEM, is it?
- 2 **A.** No.

- 3 Q. Right. So it would not have signed a MADA, right?
- 4 A. That's correct.
- 5 Q. And Epic is also not signing RSAs because it's not an OEM,
- 6 right?
- 7 **A.** That's correct.
- 8 Q. Okay. And do you have any understanding as to whether Epic
- 9 | was on the Google Play Store at this time?
- 10 **A.** I was not aware.
- 11 Q. Okay. And you wrote Epic nowhere in this chat, right?
- 12 A. I did not.
- 13 | Q. All right. And you continue on to say, because -- that you
- 14 | will, "going forward, ensure that history is on in the event that
- 15 | we chat about MADA/RSA/Play."
- 16 Do you see that?
- 17 **A.** I do.
- 18 Q. You didn't say "will ensure history is on in the event that
- 19 | we chat about Epic as it relates to the MADA/RSA/Play; "you
- 20 | didn't say that, did you?
- 21 A. I did not.
- 22 | Q. But your testimony is that that's what you meant?
- 23 **A.** That's correct.
- 24 | Q. All right. Did, after March 18th, 2022, did you start
- 25 | keeping your history on whenever you chatted about RSAs, MADAs or

1 Google Play?

- 2 **A.** I don't recall exactly.
- 3 Q. Well, you wouldn't have, though, right, unless it mentioned
- 4 | Epic, right?
- 5 **A.** That's correct.
- 6 Q. All right. Let's turn to 6465, please. This is a chat
- 7 | conversation in which you participated on March 21, 2022, a few
- 8 days later, right?
- 9 A. That's correct.
- 10 MS. MOSKOWITZ: Your Honor, I move 6465 into evidence.
- MS. CHIU: No objections.
- 12 **THE COURT:** It's admitted.
- 13 (Trial Exhibit 6465 received in
- 14 evidence.)
- 15 BY MS. MOSKOWITZ:
- 16 Q. You received a chat message from Katherine Stolz who works
- 17 | in Strategic Partnerships at Google, correct?
- 18 **A.** That's correct.
- 19 **Q.** She says here she was "confirming that we are ready to
- 20 | launch with the OEMs, " right?
- 21 **A.** Yes.
- 22 Q. And OEMs again are the parties, the counter-parties to MADAs
- 23 and RSAs, right?
- 24 A. That's correct.
- 25 Q. And this conversation is a business conversation, right,

about that issue?

- 2 **A.** About which issue specifically?
- 3 **Q.** About your business.
- 4 A. That's correct.
- 5 | Q. All right. And it goes on for a little over a page, right?
- 6 A. That's correct.
- 7 Q. On the second and final page of this document you say "That sounds great. Thanks, Katherine."
- 9 Do you see that?
- 10 **A.** I do.
- 11 Q. And right after that you have this parenthetical. It says,
- 12 | "Also, this is pretty silly, but do you mind turning history
- 13 off?" smiley face.
- 14 Do you see that?
- 15 **A.** I do.
- 16 | Q. And by the way, we'll keep going with that, but I just want
- 17 | to pause here. Can you also pull up the very next full chat
- 18 under there next to it. Yeah.
- So you see, you wrote "Also, this is pretty silly, but
- 20 do you mind turning history off?" smiley face. That's that
- 21 first line, right?
- 22 A. That's correct.
- 23 | Q. And then there's this "updated on" line; do you see that?
- 24 **A.** I do.
- 25 | Q. And it says "Also, this is pretty silly, but do you mind

1 | turning history off?" Smiley face; do you see that?

- 2 **A.** I do.
- 3 | Q. You added the closed parenthetical, that's the change you
- 4 made, right?
- 5 **A.** That's correct.
- 6 Q. So you edited the message to make it grammatically correct?
- 7 **A.** That's correct.
- 8 Q. And so what this "updated on" is signaling that there was a
- 9 change to the prior message, but the system, because history on,
- 10 | saved both the original and the as-edited, correct?
- 11 **A.** I see that, yes.
- 12 Q. Right. So what this is telling us today is that an action
- 13 was taken by the user to update the prior chat, and so both
- 14 | appear today, right?
- 15 A. Yes, I see that.
- 16 Q. Right. And if you had hit delete on it, it would have shown
- 17 | up as "deleted on," and it would have contained the same thing,
- 18 right?
- 19 **A.** That's correct.
- 20 Q. All right. Now, let's go back to "Sure, happy to."
- 21 Do you see that?
- 22 **A.** I do.
- 23 | Q. All right. Now, when we scan back out it says -- and
- 24 | then -- well, I quess it doesn't say anything, right? She turned
- 25 history off, right?

- 1 **A.** Yes.
- 2 Q. And the rest of the conversation was deleted, right?
- 3 **A.** That's correct.
- 4 Q. Exhibit 6479 in your binder, please. That's a Google Chat
- 5 | conversation from September 6th, 2022 that you participated in,
- 6 | correct?

- 7 | A. That's correct.
 - MS. MOSKOWITZ: Your Honor, I move 6479 into evidence.
- 9 MS. CHIU: No objections.
- 10 **THE COURT:** It's admitted.
- 11 (Trial Exhibit 6479 received in
- 12 evidence.)
- 13 BY MS. MOSKOWITZ:
- 14 | Q. The discussion here is in September 2022, six months or so
- 15 | after that March 18th discussion we looked at earlier; is that
- 16 right?
- 17 | A. That's correct.
- 18 Q. You started this conversation with a "Hi" of some sort,
- 19 | right?
- 20 **A.** Yes.
- 21 Q. And this is Shadia Walsh; is that right?
- 22 **A.** That's correct.
- 23 **Q.** She is -- she?
- 24 **A.** She.
- 25 | Q. Thank you. She is a Design Strategist in the Platforms and

- 1 | Ecosystems Team; is that right?
- 2 **A.** That's correct.
- 3 | Q. And after you send that message you wrote: "Also, just
- 4 | realized our history is on."
- 5 Do you see that?
- 6 **A.** I do.
- 7 Q. And you sent an emoji with a monkey with his hands covering
- 8 his mouth like, "Oh, my."
- 9 **A.** I did.
- 10 Q. And, again, we have another "updated on." You fixed a typo.
- 11 You changed it from "is" to "is on," right?
- 12 **A.** Yes.
- 13 Q. And we can see both the original and the one that appeared
- 14 | after you took the action, right?
- 15 **A.** That's correct.
- 16 **Q.** And then you go on to say, "Can we turn it off, haha,"
- 17 | right?
- 18 **A.** I did.
- 19 Q. And she said, "Yes, let's turn it off," smiley face, right?
- 20 **A.** That's correct.
- 21 **Q.** And that's the end of this conversation on the record,
- 22 | right?
- 23 **A.** That's correct.
- 24 | Q. So whatever you chatted with Ms. Walsh with history off, the
- 25 | jury will never see that, right?

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- 1 A. That's correct.
- 2 Q. 646 -- sorry, 6454 in your binder, please. This is a Google
- 3 Chat conversation that you participated in on November 9, 2022,
- 4 | correct?

- 5 **A.** That's correct.
- 6 MS. MOSKOWITZ: Your Honor, I move 6454 into evidence.
- 7 MS. CHIU: No objection.
- 8 **THE COURT:** It's admitted.
 - (Trial Exhibit 6454 received in
- 10 evidence.)
- 11 BY MS. MOSKOWITZ:
- 12 Q. Once again this is after, well after the March 2022 message
- 13 | that you claimed you understood what you needed to do for a legal
- 14 hold, right?
- 15 **A.** I still did not fully understand what it is after that
- 16 | chat, yes.
- 17 Q. Yes, after you said you understood, right? That's what you
- 18 | said in that March message, that you understood and what you were
- 19 going to do to ensure compliance?
- 20 **A.** Yes.
- 21 Q. Okay. You received a message from Tim McDowell at Google,
- 22 | right?
- 23 **A.** That's correct.
- 24 | Q. And Mr. McDowell is a Platform and Ecosystems Strategy
- 25 | Manager who works on Android and Google Play, right?

- 1 A. Just on Android Play. Android Strategy, sorry.
- 2 Q. Okay. So not involved in Google Play, just Android?
- 3 A. Just Android.
- 4 Q. So including OEM Partnerships?
- 5 **A.** Not specifically, but on Android Strategy.
- 6 Q. Okay. But that includes sort of how to deal with the
- 7 | Android Ecosystem?
- 8 A. That's correct.
- 9 Q. And he told you: "Hey, I turned on history, if it's okay
- 10 | with you."
- 11 Do you see that?
- 12 **A.** Yes.
- 13 | Q. He said he had more RSA questions for you when you had a
- 14 chance.
- Do you see that?
- 16 **A.** That's correct.
- 17 | Q. So he was turning history on to ask you questions about RSA
- 18 contracts with OEMs, right?
- 19 **A.** That's correct.
- 20 **Q.** And, in fact, he includes two questions about RSAs.
- 21 Do you see that?
- 22 **A.** Yes.
- 23 | Q. And you see in this first question there's that waiver
- 24 | concept again that you didn't want a trail of in one of those
- 25 prior exhibits we looked at, right?

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- 1 A. Waiver, yes, I see it.
- 2 Q. And that was in one of those earlier documents that you
- 3 didn't want a trail of waivers, right?
- 4 A. That's correct.
- 5 Q. You say, in response: "Hi, Tim. If okay, can I ask you to
- 6 turn history off or turn off history?" Smiley face.
- 7 Do you see that?
- 8 **A.** I do.
- 9 Q. And he responded: "Sure, I understand," right?
- 10 **A.** Yes.
- 11 **Q.** And, again, like the others, the portion of this
- 12 | conversation that we get to see is over, right?
- 13 **A.** That's correct.
- 14 Q. The entire conversation that you and Mr. McDowell had about
- 15 the RSAs and his questions permanently was deleted, right?
- 16 **A.** That's correct.
- 17 Q. We can put that away.
- We've seen a number of times that you've discussed
- 19 going off the record, and you understand today that you did not
- 20 comply with your legal obligations to preserve documents, do
- 21 you not?
- 22 | A. That's correct, my understanding is that I was wrong, yes.
- 23 | Q. And you don't understand that it's funny to destroy evidence
- 24 | that's relevant to a federal antitrust litigation, do you?
- 25 **A.** Definitely not, no.

1 Q. And you know that once your chats are deleted they're gone

- 2 | forever, right?
 - A. Yes.

- 4 Q. And you don't know how many chats that you participated in
- 5 about issues relevant to this case were deleted, right?
- 6 A. I do not recall.
- 7 **Q.** You don't know, right?
- 8 A. I don't know.
- 9 Q. It could be hundreds or thousands or more, right?
- 10 **A.** I'm not sure how many.
- 11 MS. MOSKOWITZ: Pass the witness.
- 12 **THE COURT:** Ms. Lam, just thinking about all your
- 13 | testimony today, do you feel like you got adequate guidance
- 14 | from Google's lawyers about what documents to preserve for this
- 15 case?
- 16 **THE WITNESS:** From what I know today, no.
- 17 **THE COURT:** Okay. I asked you earlier if any lawyer
- 18 | ever talked with you about documents that were subject to the
- 19 | litigation hold, and you said no.
- 20 Let me fine tune that a little bit. Did any lawyer
- 21 talk with you specifically about what to do with chats with
- 22 respect to the litigation hold in this case?
- 23 THE WITNESS: Not when I got the legal hold. I think
- 24 | that was your original question. When I got the legal hold, no
- 25 lawyer talked to me then.

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              THE COURT:
                          Did anybody ever talk to you about whether
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     you should be preserving chats?
              THE WITNESS: I'm advised to not speak to privileged
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     conversations with lawyers.
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              THE COURT: You're talking to the judge.
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              THE WITNESS: Okay.
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              THE COURT: And you're going to answer my question.
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                Did anyone ever advise you at any point in this case
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      about whether you should be preserving your chats or not?
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              THE WITNESS: Yes.
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              THE COURT: And when did that happen?
              THE WITNESS: I don't remember exactly.
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              THE COURT: Did it happen last week, six months ago, a
     year ago, what's your best estimate?
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              THE WITNESS: I honestly don't recall the timing.
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              THE COURT: You must recall something. Was it in 2023
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     or 2022?
              THE WITNESS: Within the year, probably.
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                         So within the year, but not before then?
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              THE COURT:
              THE WITNESS: That's correct.
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              THE COURT: All right. Thank you.
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                Okay.
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                              CROSS-EXAMINATION
     BY MS. CHIU:
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          Ms. Lam, does your work regularly involve making any
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decisions regarding the Google Play Store?

- 2 A. It does not.
- 3 Q. Ms. Lam, were you ever deposed in this litigation?
- 4 **A.** No.

- 5 Q. Now, you received a litigation hold regarding this
- 6 | litigation in September of 2021; is that right?
- 7 **A.** That's correct.
- 8 **Q.** Oh, excuse me, 2020, I'm sorry.
- 9 **A.** 2020, yes.
- 10 Q. And did that litigation hold provide instructions on
- 11 preserving chat communications?
- 12 **A.** That's correct.
- 13 Q. Now, Ms. Lam, if I could direct you to document 8021 in your
- 14 binder. If you look on the second page there is a chat that you
- 15 | sent that counsel showed you just a few minutes ago.
- 16 Do you see that?
- 17 **A.** I do.
- 18 Q. Does this chat refresh your recollection as to the
- 19 approximate date when you received additional guidance regarding
- 20 | the litigation hold and preservation of chats?
- 21 A. It does.
- 22 MR. POMERANTZ: Your Honor, if I may ask the clerk to
- 23 | let us have access to the technology. I'm sorry.
- 24 BY MS. CHIU:
- 25 | Q. I'm sorry, Ms. Lam. Does this chat refresh your

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- 1 recollection of when you received additional guidance regarding
- 2 | the litigation hold and the instructions on preserving chats?
- 3 A. It does.
- 4 Q. And when is that date?
- 5 **A.** March 18th, 2022.
- 6 MS. CHIU: Thank you. Nothing further.

REDIRECT EXAMINATION

8 BY MS. MOSKOWITZ:

- 9 Q. Ms. Lam, you just looked at the document, let's just put it
- 10 back on the screen, from March 18, 2022, that you were just
- 11 | looking at. Do you have it open in front of you?
- 12 A. I do have it.
- 13 Q. You were just asked if that refreshed your recollection of
- 14 | the date that the judge was asking you about of when you were
- 15 | given guidance on your legal hold?
- 16 **A.** That's correct.
- 17 | Q. So did the lawyers tell you that all you had to do was
- 18 preserve documents if it mentioned Epic?
- 19 MS. CHIU: Objection, Your Honor. This calls for the
- 20 privileged communication.
- 21 **THE COURT:** Overruled. Go ahead.
- 22 | **THE WITNESS:** Did you mind repeating the question?
- 23 BY MS. MOSKOWITZ:
- 24 | Q. Sure. When you were given that guidance from your lawyers
- 25 | that you were referring to and that you said was responsive to

1 the judge's questions, did the lawyers tell you that all you had

- 2 to do was preserve documents that mentioned Epic?
- 3 **A.** No.
- 4 | Q. They didn't tell you that?
- 5 **A.** No.
- 6 Q. But you still had the understanding that all you had to do
- 7 | after getting this guidance was to only preserve documents
- 8 | relating to Epic?
- 9 A. There was an open question after that call, so it was not
- 10 confirmed.
- 11 **Q.** And it was never confirmed?
- 12 **A.** No.
- 13 Q. So whatever the lawyers told you on that conversation, at no
- 14 point in time did they ever tell you that you had to preserve
- 15 | more than just documents that contained Epic?
- 16 **A.** Do you mind repeating that question one more time?
- 17 | Q. At any point in time did any lawyer for Google, or anyone
- 18 | for that matter, tell you that you were actually under a legal
- 19 | obligation to preserve documents, more documents than just those
- 20 | that contained the word "Epic?"
- 21 **A.** There was general guidance, but not a confirmation.
- 22 | Q. The general guidance that you received was what? I want to
- 23 | know everything that you were told on this call or this
- 24 discussion.
- 25 | A. It was around MADA, RSA, and Play, and the question was

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- 1 | what related things related to that should be held, and there
- 2 was an open question. That was not answered to on that, on
- 3 this day.
- 4 **Q.** On any day?
- 5 **A.** On any day.
- 6 Q. You never ever found out that you were supposed to preserve
- 7 documents about RSAs, MADAs and Plays, even if Epic was nowhere
- 8 on the page, right?
- 9 A. I didn't get a confirmed confirmation, no.
- 10 Q. You got no confirmation whatsoever. No one told you that,
- 11 right?
- 12 A. Not a specific confirmation.
- 13 | Q. Did you get any type of confirmation whatsoever that you had
- 14 | to preserve documents even if they didn't say "Epic?"
- 15 **A.** No.
- 16 **Q.** You were asked if you were deposed in this case, right?
- 17 | A. That's correct.
- 18 | Q. Do you have any understanding as to why you weren't deposed?
- 19 **A.** No.
- 20 **Q.** Do you have any understanding about how many documents we
- 21 | got with your name on it?
- 22 **A.** No.
- 23 Q. Would you be surprised we got very few, because you had been
- 24 destroying your chats every 24 hours with history off, right?
- 25 A. I'm not sure.

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              MS. MOSKOWITZ:
                              No further questions.
              THE COURT: Okay. Step down very carefully. It's a
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     little bit steep.
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              THE WITNESS: Thank you.
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              THE COURT: All right. So what do we have next?
              MR. BORNSTEIN: Your Honor, we were not able to
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     resolve the issue around the document we discussed, and so
    we'll save that issue. Instead, we'll have -- instead we have
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     a pre-weekend treat. We're going to watch some Netflix, and
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     what I mean is we have a deponent who is from Netflix.
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              THE COURT: Okay. So we're going to round out our
    half hour. I want to keep us on track, okay? I know we got
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     started today and we've been chuqqing along like a freight
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     train, but it's good. It's a good thing. So we're going to
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     have a half hour of one of those video deposition like we saw
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     with the other witness, okay?
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                Thank you.
              MR. BORNSTEIN: And, Your Honor, would you prefer that
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     we pass out the binders or is it okay if we just use the screen
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     like we did last time?
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              THE COURT: That's fine.
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                              Okay. We do have the binders if it's
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              MR. BORNSTEIN:
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     helpful, but we can use the screen and save the paper.
                I do have a number of exhibits to move in beforehand
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when you're ready, Your Honor.

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Okay. Does Ms. Clark know?
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              THE COURT:
              MR. BORNSTEIN: Yes, Ms. Clark has the list.
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              THE COURT: Go ahead and read them.
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              MR. BORNSTEIN: We move the admission of Exhibit 713,
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     2050, 2051, 2052 and 2054.
              THE COURT: All right. Any objection?
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              MR. KRAVIS: No objection, Your Honor.
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              THE COURT: All right. Those are all admitted.
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                            (Trial Exhibits 713, 2050, 2051, 2052,
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                             2054 received in evidence.)
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              MR. BORNSTEIN: And the witness's name is Paul
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     Perryman, P-E-R-R-Y-M-A-N.
              THE COURT: Netflix, is that right?
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              MR. BORNSTEIN: Yes, Your Honor.
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              THE COURT: Okay. Go ahead.
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                    (Video depo played but not reported)
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              THE COURT: Okay. That's a wrap for the week.
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                So let's talk a little bit about next week.
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      Economic Conference is starting, I think, on Tuesday.
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      may have seen our first atmospheric river is coming in next week
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      as well.
                So Monday we'll come in at the normal time.
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      thinking that on Tuesday we might start at 9:30, just to see how
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      it goes, okay? If it turns out it's no difference in your
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      commute, that will be great, but I don't think that's going to
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be the case, okay? So we'll try 9:30 till about 3:45 on
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      Tuesday, because I think getting in earlier is going to be
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      harder than getting out, but we'll see.
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                Now, this is the time when we reflect for a moment, we
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       clear our minds, we put all of this aside, and don't think at
       all, at all about any of this. Avoid, as usual, any media
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       coverage whatsoever. Don't chat with friends, family. Don't
       do any research. Don't do any investigation. Refresh, relax,
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       get some things done, and I'll see you Monday morning at
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       9:00 o'clock.
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              THE CLERK: All rise.
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                (Jurors exit courtroom.)
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                (Proceedings were heard out of presence of the jury:)
              THE COURT: Okay. Here is time count. Plaintiffs
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     have 20 -- 28.5 hours remaining, and defendants have 36.
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                So this is the point where you can start thinking
       about streamlining. We've heard a lot, okay? I'm going to
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       give you some leeway, but I will, if necessary, turn off any
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       cumulative testimony.
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                You have things mapped out for next week.
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                Now, do I have -- there's two Samsung things.
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       they are. Exhibit 1065 and 624. Do I have little submissions
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       from everybody on those?
              MS. MOSKOWITZ: Not from plaintiffs, Your Honor.
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              THE COURT: All right. Well, just file three pages
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              MS. MOSKOWITZ: Yes, thank you.
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              THE COURT: You're going to have to do it by tomorrow
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     at 5, all right?
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              MS. MOSKOWITZ:
                              Will do.
              THE COURT: And just three pages.
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                If you've already filed something, Google, and it's
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      more than three pages, I'm not going to read it. So I'll give
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      you three pages. You can file it.
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              MR. POMERANTZ: I would think it's more than three
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     pages, Your Honor.
              THE COURT: All right. If it's three pages or less,
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     don't file anything new, okay?
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                All right. All set?
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                Okay. See you Monday.
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              THE CLERK: All rise.
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                    (Proceedings adjourned at 3:36 p.m.)
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